



Peter Hetherington the runaway Bishop of Argyll and the Isles to show penitance and remain in the priesthood after a day of unprecedented drama involving hierarchy and priests. Bishop Roderick Wright, appointed five years ago to the Highland diocese, finally emerged late on Sunday to tell Cardinal Thomas Winning,

pends what you mean by a relationship. You can go to chy felt that Bishop Wright had crossed the boundaries of confession, you know. There's clerical morality some time a church of sinners . . . there's ago and had a clear choice to many a fallen person who is make: give up Mrs Macphee as a first step towards penitent enough . . . Had there been a sexual relationship? "Well, I did not Cardinal Winning, regarded as more of a tradi-

with the woman. Cardinal

Winning said: "Well, it de-

details about the relationship. | could continue as a priest if although the cardinal insisted | be had had a relationship

that the question of sexual relations did not emerge.

But it was clear the hierar-

rehabilitation.

examination.

go into the sexual relation-ships. He has had a long-standing friendship with this tionalist than his English counterpart, Cardinal Hume, emphasised that Bishop lady but I did not ask him about details." Wright had no intention of Would the affair deeply scandals are part and parcel of the Church's history. I came to call not the just but sinners. The cardinal was insistent, however, that celibacy remained an essential, almos crucial, feature of the priesthood "The fact that we have celisis the Church had to show compassion to a man who bacy is to make us totally apparently accepted, under available to other people the fact that lapses do occur turn to page 2, column 8





land, that he was "physically and spiritually unable" to fact. I would still hope that he will continue sometime. sustain his responsibilities. somewhere his ministry as a priest — we both felt in his

"It was a very emotional meeting because he was very heart of hearts he probably upset and I didn't think he would want to do that." realised the kind of trauma he Without compromising on put everyone else in," said points of principle, he said the cardinal. that at a time of personal cri-

"He was very insistent on expressing his deep, deep sorrow and regret for the hurt he had caused by his sudden disgreat strain, that he might have been unsuitable for a senior role in the Church appearance, and he insisted on resigning."

NGUISHED leaders

of the Roman Catho-

lic church in Scot-

land last night urged

After a trip to calm troubled clergy in the northern diocese, at a special meeting near Loch Ness, Cardinal Winning told a news confer ence in Glasgow yesterday that there was no chance of the 56-year-old bishop remaining in his post. He had tendered his resignation to

the Pope. Cardinal Winning spoke candidly and with some irri-tation about the bishop's long-standing relationship with Mrs Kathleen Macphee, a 40vear-old nurse from near Fort William who went missing about the same time as the bishop, leaving her youngest child with relatives. At the meeting in the cardinal's official residence in

Glasgow late on Sunday, it was clear they went into some

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after a long period of self-Clues to anguish, page 2; Leader comment, page Sex and the church, G2 Asked bluntly if the bishop

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Shuttle Atlantis sets off from Kennedy Space Centre to bring home Shannon Lucid, who has been six months at space station Mir PHOTOGRAPH: PAUL KIZZLI

Tory fury at 'hostile' radio interview with Clarke

Mawhinney's complaint to BBC says Blair got kid glove treatment and inflation family has \$700 more spending money, after tax and inflation

Ewen MacAskill and Rebecca Smithers

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Danger" campaign, which depicts a pair of glinting eyes looking down at the figure of Dr Mawhinney fired off a furious letter to the BBC director general, John Birt, 1700, and a hand reaching out



But Labour accused the Tories of "peddling lies". In his letter to Mr Birt, Dr i

lack of balance between the ways in which Ken Clarke and Tony Blair were interviewed."

He added: "Anna Ford repeatedly interrupted the Chancellor, who was not given the chance to develop his points. Her questions were openly hostile and her final remark at the end of the interview — 'So you are not going to elevate the debate?' was a disgraceful lapse from impartiality into blatant editorialising."

He went on: "By contrast Jim Naughtie treated Mr Blair with kid gloves. Mr shocked" by the "sneering"

to grab the money. The slogan reads: "This year the average family has £700 more spend-gramme displayed a blatant and ended gently and was not servative complaint is the servative co Labour dismissed the Conservative complaint as retaliation over its objection to conducted with the caustic manner that Ms Ford used in what it saw as a recent News At Ten interview with John her interview with the Chancellor. He called on the BBC to Frank Dobson, the shadow take action to correct what he environment secretary, said

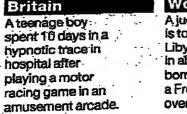
described as similar lapses by "In time honoured fashion. Mr Mawhinney is embarking Today presenters and to remind them of their need to on the ritual pre-election BBC softening up exercise. His bulpay more than lip service to the guidelines regarding lying tactics must not be allowed to prevail.' equal treatment between the A BBC spokesman said: "We have received the letter and it will be considered and parties.

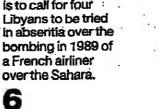
A Conservative Central Office spokesman said that unlike Labour it was rare for the party to complain but Mr replied to in the usual way." Clarke's public pay sque page 3

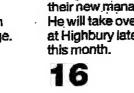
Sport Arsenal at last confirmed Arsene Wenger would be their new manager.

He will take over at Highbury later this month.

World News Finance Britain's highest A judge in France is to call for four paid directors won Libyans to be tried pay rises worth 12.1 per cent last in absentia over the bombing in 1989 of year. They now earn £684,621 on average. a French airliner over the Sahara.







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INSIDE BAGHDAD Alliance to offer Yeltsin a partnership on European security in exchange for expanding eastwards

Raising ghosts of Nato opens arms to Russia Christmas future



David Ward

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HERE were bare midriffs vesterday on the A62, the main road from Man-

chester to Oldham. Normally, this is a pretty grim thorough-fare but yesterday it basked in the warm glow of a northern Indian summer. Late afternoon drinkers

supped cooling pints of lager outside the Wheatsheaf in Failsworth and the declining sun kissed the limestone steeple of the Church of St John The Evangelist, 150 years old this year. A stiff breeze disguised tempera-tures which had ambled into the low Seventies.

But it was Christmas in Oldham, where the local council has begun installing its decorative lights for the festive season due in about three months' time.

With the expectation of cele-bration, bulbless loops dangle across the pedestrianised zone near Burger King while. confusingly, the last blooms of summer flourish in hanging baskets above Shoe Express and the Abbey National.

Some allege darkly that until recently there was even a Happy Christmas banner across a street in the town centre, and claim that officials ordered its removal after being subjected to much derision by those who admit it is Christmas only when snow cloaks

the roof of the Peraquito hotel The officials explained sadly that they were only doing their job. The lights have to be strung up on quiet Sundays and work has to be started early so that all would be ready for the big switch-on in November.

"We will not be putting the more obviously Christmas decorations up for some time." said a spokeswoman

"To be honest. I hadn't noticed the lights had gone up," said Chris Tansley, manning his fruit and veg stall in the town's celebrated Tommyfield Market.

"I think it's nauseating. They seem to be four or five weeks early — the lights usually go up in October.

'I went to Benidorm one December and there were very few signs of Christmas even then — there was just one shop with a Christmas to

handed over a bag of red lentils as a present, with the com pliments of the season to "It's stupid." said Linda

D'Souza from a nearby bench eferring to the lights, not the lentils.

"It's still only September and I haven't had my summer holiday yet.

reeks of excitement not all

cil can afford to put up decora-tions but not refurbish the arcades where I work. They are 100 years old and are going to be pulled down."

Mrs D'Souza conceded that there were other signs of the festivities to come in Oldham There's a Father Christmas in the window of an office block in Greave Street," she

whispered. There were other signs, too In the market, the Battery Shop had, as a discreet hint of dark nights and gaudiness to come, dusted off its packs of spare green, red. yellow and blue Christmas tree lights. The sets proper go on sale next month.

In the Spindles shopping centre, all was still autumn of earlier. Miss Attitude (of Manchester, Paris, Barcelona, Milan and Oldham) was having a summer sale of hair decorations and other fancies. "Our sale goes on forever,"

confided an assistant. But Poundland turned its back on T-shirts and sunglasses a month ago when it began offering 30 Christmas cards (snow scenes and the Nativity) for £1 or 40 de luxe Christmas cards (decorated tree) for the same price.

ping paper (roses, stars, holly) are on offer also for £1. In fact, everything in Poundland cost £1, including boxes of cheerful baubles, garlands in loud bronze, purple, blue and gold, and a six-piece Nativity set: 16.6 per figure; what a

"I like the price," she said, prodding the baubles. "Mine are old and need replacing. I saw these here last week and thought that by the time I usually get round to thinking about Christmas they might all be gone.'

PROFILE: **Bishop W** planning.

John Palmer in Brussels organisation with its own secretariat. Russia would have a governments privileged role in helping shape key political and secu are to offer Russia

rity decisions in Europe. an unprecedented There are also moves to crepartnership in te a political directorate jointly managing including Russia, the United Europe's security, in return

for a limited expansion by the States and the larger EU alliance to include countries states within the Organisa-tion for Security and Co-operin central Europe, according ation in Europe (OSCE). o senior officials in Brussels. The offer will be made to President Borls Yeltsin at a which has already been man dated to oversee Europe'

post-cold war security. "Obviously detailed discus-sion with the Russians will have to await President Yeltspecial Nato summit to which he will be invited next spring. the officials said. The summit will sanction sweeping changes in Nato's military sin's heart operation. But we believe this new approach should find a positive resstructure designed to give its European Union members a ponse in Moscow." one Nato leadership role. source said in Brussels. "Al-

A blueprint for a 21st-cenready we notice that Russian tury European security sys-tem, being finalised by allirhetoric against Nato enlarge ment is being toned down." ance governments, envisages

The summit, to be held in "Nato and Russia Charter" France or the US. will invite four countries - the Czech Republic. Hungary, Poland and Slovenia - to begin negotiations for Nato membership They are expected to join formaily in April 1999 — the alli-ance's 50th anniversary. The Baltic states and other

east European countries will be promised closer involvement in Nato peacekeeping operations under the Partner hip for Peace. Western leaders are in-

creasingly confident that Rus-sia will accept a limited Nato enlargement, on condition that no nuclear weapons or foreign troops are based in the new member states . something Nato is ready to agree. They also believe offering other east European countries closer military cooperation but no Western nuries about a new iron curtain

further reassure Moscow. "We do not want to close the door on further enlargement for all time. But it is a long way off and we do not want to appear to be sur-rounding Russia in any way." the Nato source said. The three-tier arrangement

will also help ensure that a limited Nato expansion does not create fissures in eastern Europe itself. There had been fears that admitting Hungary without Romania or Slovakia - both of which have large Hungarian minorities would exacerbate tensions. However, by signing a treaty yesterday guarantee-ing the rights of Hungarians in Romanian Transylvania while guaranteeing Roma nia's borders - Hungary and Romania have defused wor-

The US and France are close to a final agreement clear security guarantee will | in central Europe. The agreement follows five years of neunder which France - and Spain - will rejoin Nato's in gotiations over the status of the 1.6 million ethnic egrated military command Hungarians. But the US will agree to Nato providing the Western Buro Romania's president, Ion fliescu, and prime minister,

pean Union — the EU's de-fence arm — with the mili-Nicolae Vacaroiu, and Hunga ry's prime minister, Gyula tary means to mount its own security operations under Horn, were greeted yesterday with military honours in European commanders. In Timisoara, Romania. future, Nato's deputy su-"The new Nato strategy is designed to offer something preme military commander

for everybody," one alliance diplomat said. "Only a hand-ful of countries will be admitted to Nato membership and come under our nuclear um brella. Other candidate

and importance.

active partners with Nato without any security guaran

countries will be made more

tee — while Russia will be given a special status in deci-sion-making to reflect its size

The details of the joint secu-rity body to be set up with Russia, the reorganisation of Nato, and its partial expan-sion will be discussed by Nato foreign ministers in Bru in December.

The Nato diplomat said The key issue will be the personal approval of Presi-dent Yeltsin at the alliance summit next spring."

will also be a European....

post continued from page one does not mean to say that we have to abandon celibacy." He said it would be wrong

fashion. But it is clear that these Wright and the Church. In an attempt to rehabili tate the bishop, Cardinal Win-

special location, for special counselling. But it seems already that

matters have probably gone too far, in spite of the cardinal's cautious optimism that the bishop might return to the priesthood.

For some time, heacknowl edged, Bishop Wright and Mrs Macphee had apparently been "living together under bishop had promised to contact the hierarchy.

bishop could take up to a year. The resignation of



Bishop Wright . . . highly regarded in his diocese and still being described in glowing terms yesterday despite his disappearance

: /right	Christopher Elliott	glowing terms yesterday, as he resigned his responsibil-	recover
	not given to courting pub- licity, but few of his parish-	ities for the 11,400 Catholics in the diocese, and more than a week after he went missing at the same time as a 40-year- old divorcee, Kathleen Mac- nhee disappeared her home	Glasgov lege, Bl he went

believe he has never | fore his ordination that he red from the blow.

dained a priest in 1964.

spritual director at the junior

seminary in Blairs, he

requested a transfer to Argyll

where he became an assistant

parish priest in Duncon and then at Fort William until

1960 before moving South Uist

for seven years. He became

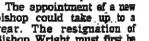
came to know the Macphee family. He counselled Mrs school at St Gerard's. Macphee, who has three chil-dren and lived at Inverlochy, w. and St Mary's Collairs, near Aberdeen. at on to study philoso-Fort William. when she went d theology at St Peter's through a divorce from her

bishop quits

to make changes in a society which was "sex ridden ... we would be following the

comments go to the heart of what seems to have been a growing rift between Bishop ning said he had been offered facilities in England at a

the same roof." But after a period of reflection; the



Eight-metre rolls of wrap-

bargain! Linda Dixon was tempted.

She was last seen heading for the till with a pack of 12 and a pound coin. They are doing Cinderelia at the Oldham Coliseum theatre this year and seem to be quietly rejoicing in the council's early decorative

good," said a spokeswoman.

nounce our panto for Christ-mas 1997."

"And we are just about to an-

"Putting the lights up now spoils Christmas. I want a few the year. "It's very sad that the coun-

"Personally, I can't be bothered with it --- it's so brazeniy commercial." Mr Tansley, a generous

Review

clues Swept up in a tide to inner of misfortune

Robert Dawson Scott

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Men Should Weep Dundee Rep/Touring

WITH very few excep-tions, there has been a curious reluctance to give second or third productions to modern Scottish plays, however good they are This co-production by TAG and Dundee Rep of Men Should Weep, Ena Lamont ewart's play of family values in the grinding poverty of 1930s Glasgow. is only the third since it was premiered by Glasgow Unity in 1947. Yet it is, by any standards.

remarkable work: 10 years ahead of Look Back in Anger in its unflinching portrayal of working class life, domestic violence and all. every bit as tough and unsentimental as Jim Cartwright's Road. (if not quite as lurid), and written by a woman to boot.

Sure enough, when it was finally dug out from the vaults for its first revival in 1982, directed by Giles Havergal as part of 7:84's Clydebuilt season, it was a sensation.

Fourteen years later, as families disintegrate all around us all over again and there's "no work for the men but ave plenty of work for the women". it's rapidly approaching the status of a time ss classi

Lamont Stewart rewrote it at some point before the 1982 revival, cutting out some heavy-handed melodrama and leaving a slight glimmer of hope at the end. Even so it is a relentless tide of ill-fortune and circumstance that afflicts the Morrison family; the older son turning to thieving to satisfy his grasping wife who is cheating on him anyway, the eldest daughter leaving home for a life of genteel whoring, the boy taken to the hospital with TB. and always, slways, the desperate shortage of money for food and warmth.

Were the play to be written now, you might anticipate a single parent family. In the Morrison family, father John is still present and still feels some responsibility. "A man shouldnae bring weans [chil-dren] into the world if he cannae look after them," he says at one point. But it is one of Lamont

Stewart's most telling observations, and a very uncom-fortable one for the working class audiences that used to attend Glasgow Unity produc-tions, that John Morrison, for all his breast-beating and high moral tone, is part of the proh em. Oblivious to the worn-out

drudge his wife has become, he is too proud to so much as wash the dishes. Tony Graham, the director this time round, has gone for a

restrained naturalism; the action played out on a grimly accurate version of a drab. cramped tenement room. Designer Gregory Smith has rightly kept it genuinely

small; it floats in a pool of light on Dundee's wide stage, some how emphasizing the family's alienation even while a con-stant stream of visitors trail in and out. Mary McCusker In and out. Mary McClisker plays the central figure of Maggie Morrison, the mother of five, trying and largely fail-ing to keep hearth and home together. Too quiet, perhaps; it is Clearly tricks to find the bal

clearly tricky to find the bal-ance in a character who domi-nates the play structurally but who dramatically is con-stantly playing self-effacing and exhausted

For the moment, the performance seems a bit too pale and the show is stolen from her by her glamorous and feckless daughter-in-law, Isa (a typically powerful and convincing performance from Pauline Knowles) and a delightful cameo from Kay Gallie as granny.

anguish,

When the Right Reverend Roderick Wright, Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, was Hidden uestioned about celibacy in the Catholic church during the scandal over the Irish bishop Eamon Casey father-ing a child, he said: "I don't see any conflict in terms of faith if married men were or-dained "

dained. Four years later, Bishop Wright, aged 56, has delivered one of the most serious blows anguish to the Catholic church in Brit-ain in the last 50 years yet he has attracted none of the op-

dent for the Tablet.

probrium that Bishop Casey of Galway generated. born in South Uist and Gaelic

Affable, honourable and one of four, including a much-charismatic: he was still loved sister who died of cancharismatic: he was still being described in the most | cer this year. Many of his sup-

"Bishop Wright is greatly loved and held in high esteem in his diocese and was a deeply committed pastoral priest," said Rennie McOwan, who is Scottish correspon-The bishop's support stems not only from the unassuming style but his close ties with the Highland roots of a

known for his charismatic community that stretches preaching. from the Butt of Lewis to the Mull of Kintyre. As a young priest he was nicknamed Father Starsky He was born in Glasgow and brought up in Kinning Park, the son of a seaman from Eriskay. His mother was

was spoken at home. He was

because of his resemblance to actor Paul Michael Glaser. one of the stars of the seven-ties television detective series. In January 1991, he was or-

dained as bishop in a bi-lin-gual service at St Columba's Church, Oban. It was just be-

Experts to decide World Service fate

Former Major adviser among team of five on 'balanced' panel

of director general John Birt's BBC reorganisation. The work-Andrew Culf Media Correspondent ing group will meet in private, although its verdict will be made public. It will report at

ARONESS Hogg, the former head of John Major's Down of John the end of the month before a Major's Downing Street policy unit, is one of five ex-perts who could determine meeting between Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, and Sir Christopher Bland the fate of the BBC World BBC chairman. Service.

The five are: Their selection as panel Baroness Hogg, one of Mr Major's closest and most members was welcomed yes-terday by observers, who de-scribed the line-up as bal-anced and impressive. The trusted aides as head of the political unit at Number 10 from 1990-95; she was a respected journalist for the five all have strong links with broadcasting and two have worked for the World Service. The panel will assess evi-dence from the BBC, the For-Economist, Sunday Times. Times, Independent and ITN. David Glencross, former chief executive of the Inde-pendent Television Commiseign Office and World Service igners about the impact sion, who worked as a senior

producer for BBC External Services in the 1960s. □ John Wilson, controller of BBC editorial policy until 1993. He laid into Mr Birt and the BBC management last year over Panorama's interview with Mr Major on the eve of the Scottish elections. A spokesman for the Save The World Service Campaign

ing director of the television news agency APTV, who was editor of External Services during an impressive career at the BBC. □ Nicholas Colchester, for-merly deputy editor of the Economist, and editorial director of the Economist Intel-

ligence Unit since 1993. John Tusa, a former manag-ing director of the World Service who has strongly criti-cised Mr Birt's plans to merge English language production with the BBC's domestic pro-gramme-making departnents, welcomed the panel.

"It seems an impressive list, rather a balanced team," be said. "But the questions remain: what outside com-ments are they ready to take, and will the National Audit Office be involved?"

> said: "We believe it would be appropriate for all submissions to the working party to be made in public — it needs to be an open and transparent process

The working group also includes BBC deputy director general Bob Phillis; Sam Younger, managing director of the World Service; Caroline Thompson, director of strat-egy: and Fritz Groothues, head of strategic development. The Foreign Office is repre-sented by Christopher Battis-combe, director of public pol-icy, and information officers Peter Dun and Paul Williams.

contractor. In 1974. after serving as Rumours were slow to cir-

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17th century saint, John Ogil-

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accepted by the Pope. A short-list is then drawn up among culate about his disappearthe 30 priests within the dio ance due to the scattered nacese of Argyll and nomina-tions for the post accepted ture of the diocese but when he failed to appear to preach from outside. at a national pilgrimage for a

Eventually, a detailed ques tionnairs is sent to 20 people who know the candidates well before a shortlist of three is sent to the Pope for the final decision.



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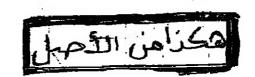


Scouts drop their 'ging gang goolie' image for buzz of a PR badge

boasts a picture of PR's essential tool: the mobile Nick Varley phone. DIB, dib. dib is passé. For-get ging gang goolie. Scouts' new buzzwords are promotion, presentation and John Fogg, the associa-tion's PR, but not a badge holder, said its introduction reflected the media-literacy of PR. Out go images of damp canvas and songs around a nodern youth. But he also admitted an ulterior motive. "The more young people I can persuade to tell all about scouting, the greater chance we can get rid of that image of short trousers and funny campfire, the Scout Associa tion hopes. In comes a new badge for its 500,000 members: awarded for work in public The proficiency badge even hats.

To qualify for the badge, youngsters first have to give a presentation, obtain media releases tells the would-b Max Cliffords what to expect: "Journalists like to use coverage of a scouting event ouble entendres and cliches." or expedition and assist in a But what would Baden Pow ell have made of it all? "One of the first things he did was to link with a publisher and promotional event. Then they have to perm two from producing their own newsletter, creating a display for parents, arranging a visit to a local paper or broad-caster or conducting a survey on scouting's image. A tip sheet designed to aid wouldn't have found this very were a local paper or broad-caster or conducting a survey on scouting's image. to a local paper or broad-caster or conducting a survey

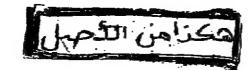
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INSIDE BAGHDAD



As President Clinton appears to be pulling back from further air strikes on Iraq, Maggie O'Kane finds people in **Baghdad** more concerned about the daily struggle to feed their families than about the threat of more assaults. Below, why both the US and Saddam Hussein are claiming success in the not-quite war

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An Iraqi girl watches her mother brandish an AK-47 machine-gun at a rally in Baghdad in support of Saddam Hussein

Bomb his palace we understand that – but why are they starving us?

N DISTRICT 828 — al-Dora, on the outskirts of panes shook in a series of bodies left. Across the road, in the shop in Building 159. Saad Abdul

sliced up by a red-hot spin-ning-top bomb in the Iraqi retreat along the Basra road He survived only to go mad. His brother Mohammed took red-hot bomblets in his face but the wounds have healed. Since the war and what appened to my boys, and the sanctions, we are ust thinking about survivsays Ramsey, who be week's explosions in Baghdad were US attacks. Yes, the Americans combed us again, we heard it ind went outside in case the se came down on top of It frightened the children and prices went up again, but t doesn't mean anything to

The room is bare, except for an electric fan. Chairs and es were sold off at one of the Friday auctions in Baghdad, where wedding rings are on sale alongside panes of glass taken from streets like

this one. The monthly allowance ber husband's kidney opera-

On the street corner, a man - who claims he is "not a member of the Ba'ath Party" has things to explain about the purported US bombing. He is in each house in the

street with us, listening as people talk. In his own corner flat in Building 145, the bar in his lounge sports bottles Glenfiddich whisky and Grand Marnier liquor. He can see into the hearts of the people on the street and they

PHOTOGRAPH: JASSIM MOHAMEL

In Building 135, where mar Khasan's face is leached from a chemica bomb during his time in the Iran-Iraq war, the man who is not a member of the Ba'ath Party explains that His Excelency the President has never harmed us and will protec

tens patiently and respect-fully, including the woman who has come asking for

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dusting behind the clock recently I came across some old tax papers that I haven't responded to. I haven't a clue what they mean. Should I just

- there is a mystery explosions attributed Baghdad street of 10 pale blocks of by the regime to US bombing. flats where no one talks The Americans were indeed much about whether the bombing southern Iraq. He is a gentle, grey-haired man who closed down his life Americans are coming to bomb Irao again. After six

years of sanctions, there are on February 13 1991 when a more important things to 2,000lb bomb - of genuine US provenance - dropped think about. This is any street in Iraq through the root of the Ali-

miriya shelter in the capital. It killed his wife Haifa, aged 42, and his four children: Sadand every street, life in each block a testimony to the rule of His Excellency, the Presi-dent, the Leader Victorious By God, Saddam Hussein, inidad, then aged six; Lina, seven; Fuad, 12; and Zina, 14. He remembers the remains tiator of the 1990-91 Gulf war and now back in the United of two dead women being laid out the next morning, and how their ankles had been States' sights.

In Flat Number 2, Building how their ankles had been bombing d 160, District 528, Tariq Ahmad torn on the metal bedsprings thing, exc Mohammed felt nothing two as they tried to flee from the prices up."

second aircraft carrier and Stealth warplanes, and alert its troops, suggests the Penta-

gon's strategy could work against a new Iraqi attack.

To a US obsessed with pre-election opinion polls, that ca-

pability of enforcing its global

military hegemony may be enough. But the longer-term

politics and diplomacy of this

not-quite war suggest US in-terests could face a huge

The four-fold implications

of this crisis are grim for

First, the oil-rich Gulf allies

are so fearful of internal dis-sent that they would rather

risk their security by offend-

ing their US protector than be seen to host US bombers, like Bahrain, or to welcome US

Second, Saddam Hussein is

not going to be toppled by the

ineffective destabilisation efforts mounted by the CIA

defeat.

power. The speed with which the US was able to deploy its from Jordan (halted last

Washington.

troops, like Kuwait.

Now aged 61, he keeps his memories in an album on top of the dresser, with the two white-bread baps he eats each day. He passes his time doing accountancy exercises and English grammar tests from 2.5 million Iraqi soldiers sent old school books.

whether the Americans will come and bomb again. People here live in a daze after six years of sanctions, we don't think any more. Except about where to get food and whether can ask my sister again for help, or if it is too soon to degrade myself again. This bombing does not change anything, except it pushes the

Karim, aged 48, says the old man speaks to no one and lives on buttermilk. Saad has five children and his own legacy from His Excellency, the President. He is one of the do not care about. d school books. to fight in the Iran-Iraq war "I'm not thinking of of 1980-88. another man crippled in the Iran-Iraq war, had gone out to Saad has shrapnel in his

arm, abdomen and chest. But he survived. Suad Karim, buy second-hand clothes from a street vendor to resell. His aged 20, did not. In Building 152, his picture is on the wall and his father, Ramsey wife Samia locked the doors and switched off all the lights last week when the Ameri cans came to bomb. But she, Karim, tells how the young man was martyred in that earlier Gulf war. too, has no furniture and six children to feed. Then, in the Kuwait war,

"Do you know if the oil-fortwo other sons were injured. Ali Ramsey, aged 27, was after the bombing?" she asks. US pressure, page 7

paid to the families of mar-tyrs like Suad is £3. It takes the death pensions of three A teacher far A teacher far from the martyrs to buy lunch at the al-Rashid Hotel, where the street says: "The Americans will come and bomb again, i world's press has gathered to is just a matter of time. But it wait for the bombs that people in Bagbdad say they don't bomb the water or the electricity. Bomb his palace in Building 157, Mr Khalif,

We all understand that the Americans want to keep him in the kennel - but why are they starving us?"

Meanwhile, a grey-haired man sits alone with a photo album with flowers on the cover, and a psychology book which he says helps him "understand the human soul" and what is happening to him when he misses his children.

tax return (which you'll get in its second-most important alliance in the region - with April, 1997) by 30 September. Turkey. Earlier this year, the Clinton administration appeared to have secured the strategic breakthrough of an Israeli government willing to negotiate peace with the Arabs, and a Turkish government ready to reach a mili-tary alliance with Israel. But Binyamin Netanyahu's election win has made Israeli-

Arab peace problematic, and the inability of Turkey's secular political parties to agree a coalition paved the way for its first Islamist prime minister. Turkey, Nato's southern bastion, has never received much more than military hardware for its allegiance. Stalled in its applications to join the European Union, crit-icised by the US for incursions into Iraq against Kurdistan Workers' Party guerrilla bases, Turkey may shift from being a minor player in the Western camp to a leading one in the Islamic world. The US has shown its shortterm power but not much strategic intelligence in a crisis that has hardly deterred its enemies, has alarmed its Arab and European friends, and sown the seeds for more trouble to come. After the latest servile display of Anglo-US solidarity, Britain's role is

to say whatever Washington wants it to say.

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Clinton trades strategy for short-term fix

Analysis

Martin Walker

in Washington VERYONE is claiming victory in the Iraqi cri-sis. Saddam Hussein

has re-asserted his authority

over northern Iraq, and left

the original Gulf war coali-

tion in disarray. But Presi-

dent Bill Clinton says that in the oil-rich Gulf — where it matters to United States in-terests — President Saddam

is more boxed in, and the Gulf

That depends how one de-

fines security. Iraq's rebuilt

land forces could not mount a

serious attack to the south

without being detected and hindered by US and allied air

allies more secure, than ever.

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and Larry Elliott HE Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, will today tighten the Government's pre-election squeeze on public spend-

Michael White

ing when he announces the fourth successive freeze on the public sector pay bill, afrepublic sector pay par, at 1992 and that Tory economoic In his evidence to the pay ers having to accept around 3 Tory reforms which over-With the Chancellor trying reforms had achieved "a gen- review bodies, the Chancellor per cent, subject to productive threw Keynesian demand labour market reform." fecting five million workers.

health service workers and other groups will have to generate higher wages and salaries through "efficiencies and other economies." Yesterday the Chancellor went on the offensive, claiming that average families are

election tax cuts, teachers,

£700 a a year better off since

proving less rapidly than the Chancellor envisaged. Mr Clarke's stance reflects the Treasury's desperate efforts to cut spending in the hope of being able to justify tax cuts in his November 26 Budget. modest by British standards.

who deny the existence of the kind of informal norm that survived into the early 90s. "It's going to be pretty tight," predicted one. In a speech to the London School of Economics last Talk of public sector worknight, Mr Clarke said that

I management techniques to boost jobs and growth had "made markets work better" across a range of policies, including privatisation and tax

trade union power, the bugbear of the British economy. Now we can set an example to

US troops set up barbed wire in Kuwait near the Iragi border PHOTOGRAPH LAURENT REBOURS year), nor from Kurdistan, | European allies are not co-op- | bours. But the neighbours are erating with sanctions against Iran, and Turkey is not comforted. no longer prepared even to

the long run, the US is risking

Moreover, they and others are eager to trade. Witness Russia's nuclear technology deal with Iran, or Turkish and French attempts to ar-range oil and gas deals with Iran and post-sanctions deals with Iraq. Fourth, and most serious in

where the Irbil base was over-run by Iraqi tanks. After he has reasserted his ability to tweak the American eagle's tailfeathers. President Sadpay lip service to its suppos-edly sealed border with Iraq. Dual containment assumed dam's army is unlikely to be a fertile base for a coup. Third, the underlying US strategy of "dual contain-ment" of both Iraq and Iran looks increasingly futile. The the two most powerful states in the region would play their assigned roles, forever fighting like cats in a sack, and cause no alarm to their neigh-

reforms. "Ten years ago we had al-ready won the battle to curb

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Clarke to announce fourth freeze on public sector pay bill in bid to pave way to tax cuts to find room for modest pre- | uine cultural revolution." | will cite the benign inflation | ity gains or offsetting jobs However, today's figures for public borrowing will show that the state finances are im-of inflation stands at 2.1 per cuts, are dismissed as "oldspeak" by Treasury officials cent, while the underlying

rate (excluding mortgages) is 2.8 per cent. Mr Clarke will also stress that average earnings growth of 3.75 per cent is

The Guardian Tuesday September 17 1996 **4 BRITAIN** "The BBC is just not willing to pay ever escalating costs Abuse Bereaved relatives demand apology over gaffe We just can't justify it. The previous argument that sport **Star of Dunblane** was relatively cheap for the amount of programming you suspect get out of it is simply not true any more." -BBC insider laid to mix-up snags Major BBC **Soccer World Cup** Bowled Currently BBC and ITV share rest this as part of the European Broadcasting Union, and the over could Rugby League fee 'has never been exorbitant'. But the rights to the • Sky own the Super League nghts, though the BBC had live rights to the last World Cup. The BBC have Challenge Cup matches live had checked with us or any of Alan Watking 2002 and 2006 World Cups the organisations about using Names put **Nick Varley** now belong to a German Football these schemes we would have told them 'just don't'. axe big ORE than 400 people broadcaster with links to Sky owns Premier and Football Leagues. From next season ITV gets live FA Cup action and the FA Cup final. BBC on stars Rupert Murdoch, A crowded into the par-ish church at Hales OHN Major was last "We often hear about them night at the centre of which could spell ę. in tragic circumstances like worth, Suffolk, to pay a final an embarrassing mixuntil 1999. sports The Queen this. You can understand tribute to Christop up over a memorial to tribute to Christopher Bar-nett, the 37-year-old director and founder of the Wenhaston choir who killed himself a fortnight are after a people wanting to commemo-rate someone, but these are a s Premier League Cost to Sky Cost to BBCATV Freddie Mercury the victims of the Dunblane 287 million for five vears 1998: £1.8 million each highlights rights for Match of the Day. Arnold Schwarzeneger £ waste of money." Stars, officially named ex-Cost to BBC £3.1 million for three years A mother and daughter de manded he apologise for a government mistake which led to him being wrongly Estimated cost to BBC/ITV 2002: £10 million each Richard Branson events fortnight ago after being ceedingly rarely, are gener-ally known by numbers. But the International Star Regis- Take That charged by police with child Cost to Sky £670 million over four years Marilyn Monroe **Motor Racing** abuse Olympics credited for the naming of a Leonard Nimoy Cost to ITV The vicar, the Rev Leonard Doolan, said that along with many other people his res-ponse to Mr Barnet's death ITV own Formula One, having try charges £55 for a naming Raquel the barmaid (in tion over four year The EBU bought rights to the 260 mil star in memory of the 17 dead. snatched ut from the BBC by offering a 300 per cent increas in rights fees for the sport to ditch the Beeb who had broadcast it for certificate, a chart pinpoint 1992 summer Olympics for only 250m; the 1996 Games cost Janice Coventry, aged 42 Cost to BBC £73 million over four years John Duncan Coronation Street) who is unemployed, and her wheelchair-bound daughter Toni, aged 22, paid 255 from their benefits to name the ing the star, and a constella-Sport Correspondent tion map. The firm. launched £180m. The BBC gets value for money out of the Games and the charge he had faced in America in 1979, has had been complex. "I admit that at one time I had a feelthough - 300 hours from Atlanta. named more than 500,000 THE BBC is considering **Rugby Union** £ his constituents and he and the past 18 years, opting out of bidding for big sports events as a stars from a list containing 15 the Secretary of State felt it Star of Dunblane. Sky own live England home games and England in France, as well as all English club rugby; from 1998. The other ing of betrayal," he said. million. The same star is Cost to ITV \$12 milion for three years was a good idea Cost to BBC 1996: £30 million But it was right to recog-nise now that Mr Barnett was Reports yesterday describresponse to "hyper-inflation" of rights fees. According to senior BBC sources, that is "It was established that a never named twice. ing Mr Major's "caring" ges-ture said he paid the fee for Jaqi Clayton, its UK marstar had already been named Estimated cost to BBC 2000: £50 million the Star of Dunblane by the keting director, said: "The home unions are currently asiding for tenders after rejecting £97.5 million from Sky. ITV have European Cup the naming, intending it to be Snooker one option among several on the table if the licence fee is stars are there to be enjoyed International Star Registry comfort to the people of wished him to be. BBC own the four main tournaments, including world and UK championships, until 2000 but had to agree to put by everyone in their own All his friends and those who had loved and admired him, now had to come to terms with their own feelings following several inquiries Dunblane for years to come from the public. way. The International Asnot significantly increased But the Coventrys, of Islingrugby, though they are numoured to be wanting to ge rid of it. They also have the next World Cup. tronomic Union, by policy, next April. "Due to an unfortunate adton, north London, actually "We are now asking ques ministrative error the reply does not name stars. So why paid for for it within days of tions about sports rights in an aggressive way." said a senior BBC insider. "The BBC is just not willing to pay matches on earlie get overheated about those of from the Scottish Office to the Thomas Hamilton's murderand their own responses to a and allow £ us who have offered this fun. Prime Minister's office did not make this clear and gave ous spree in March. advertising on shirts. novel gift for years and given enjoyment to thousands?" very tragic situation, he said Mrs Coventry said: "I'm very angry. It was our thought and John Major's claiming he thought of it and Although the Wenhaston choir, now the subject of a Cost to Sky £87.5 million over five years Cost to BBC the impression that the action Downing Street could not say which, if any, official bodies had been consulted ever escalating costs. We just £40 million over five years had been taken on the Prime police investigation, did not Minister's behalf." can't justify it. The previous sing during the service, past and present members Downing Street sources maintained the naming was a argument that sport was rela-Cricket Boxing the credit for it. tively cheap for the amount of "It was a lot of money for us over the naming. A spokes attended and added their The BBC soll have an exclusive good idea. But astronomers programming you get out of it is simply not true any more." Sky signed a two year deal with Frank Warren that gives them Naseam Hamed money well spent - but we man added he was sure the deal for all England home deal for all England home games signed way back in August 1994. That also gives them live NatWest Trophy and the odd Sunday league game. Sky own the one day interpolice the Bargeon voices to the music. esture would be seen in the didn't want any glory. We thought it was a lovely way to remember the children and were dismayed. Suffolk police say they have The former president of the A report has already been broadest possible sense and Mike Tys received 24 calls on a special a mark of respect for the vic-tims of Dunblane. British Astronomical Associcirculated outlining the hotline set up to help parents after three allegations of inde-BBC's cuts options and it ation. John Mason, said: "The their teache Cost to Sky 250 million over two years "When I heard about [Mr Prime Minister should have Ann Pearston, who orgaidentifies sport as a prime candidate for the chop. The BBC Television budget cency were made against Mr internationals, and the Benson and Hedges (with BBC getting Major) saying he did it I been advised not to have anynised the Snowdrop Petition thought it was a bit of a cheek. They should apologise." Barnett. Police declined to calling for tougher gun laws, thing to do with this. It beg-gars belief he was not warned comment if any further incl. for sport is currently £100 milhighlights of both). Sky also have live Sunday League said Mr Major ought to take Tennis dents had emerged, but say an investigation is continuing Last night a spokeswoman for the Scottish Office, which that it has no astronomical real action to help the be-reaved. "What they are looklion, but this has been an ex-The BBC have Wimbledon pensive summer of sport for significance." Margaret Penston. a secrethe only tournament = cricket with social services into Mr ing for is the Prime Minister the corporation, with the examined the plan for the Prime Minister, admitted he Barnett's activities with all 19 tary of the Royal Astronomy Society, said: "If the Prime to pass legislation to mini-mise the risk of a massacre Olympics alone swallowing £30 million. That £100 million **Cost to Sky** English audi choirs with which he was £35 million over tour years did not pay for the naming. Society, said: "If the Prime mise the risk of a massact "This was suggested by one of Minister's office or anyone happening again in Britain." until 1999. has to include production and associated. Cest to BBC £25 million over four years Cost to BBC £12 million for three years staff costs as well as rights and increasingly the BBC is 10 A A looking at spending its money Access to the Olympics, through the BBC's stake in BBC's sports output in four on fewer events. Critics say the BBC is simbe prepared to pay a competi-Royal family plans public tive price. But we won't pay years time. ply not spending its budget sensibly. Recent reports have the European Broadcasting exorbitant fees. We showed "The rights holders think that the price can just keep going up and up," said the BBC insider. "but there comes a point when we can actually make other prothat commitment when we Union, has also been secured role for next six months suggested Sky Sports man-ages to produce 14,000 hours until 2008. But already on the pulled out of bidding for Chelhorizon is a likely increase in tenham's Gold Cup. They of sport on a budget that until the latest Premier League the cost of football's World wanted five times what we Cup, with European rights had previously paid for it and deal was only marginally higher than the BBC's £100 bought for the first time by a we weren't prepared to pay it. grammes for less money rela private company that enjoys a good relationship with oric role as head of the the Queen's "annus horribi-"What Sky paid for the Five tively, which was never pre-Christopher Elliott and Michael White Nations is way beyond what Church of England lis" in 1992, when everything million viously true." Rupert Murdoch. While Fifa we or ITV could pay and we Allowing heirs to the seemed to go wrong for the The licence fee, currently The first to learn that lesson could be the rugby au-thorities of Wales, Scotland and Ireland. They are curthrone to marry Catholics family — the Waleses and the £89 a year, has been indexclaims it will veto unsatisfacwouldn't want to because i HE Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, their chillinked in recent years, but Streamlining the royal Yorks split and Windsor Castory deals, the terrestrials are just isn't value for money. We are tied by the licence fee," a BBC TV Sport spokes-person said. "We have had efthat agreement runs out in The BBC is planning to family to comprise only the tle caught fire. 1997 and negotiations are draw a line around certain dren and advisers spent They meet twice a year and rently putting their Five monarch, consort, their chilprestige "listed" events which by law, cannot be exunderway over the next in-crease. The BBC is asking for Nations games out to the highest bidder, but both BBC dren and those grandchildren sterday at Balmoral thrashhave previously discussed the Queen's decision to pay tax and the opening of Buckinging out the shape of the royal who are direct heirs to the family's public role over the rise greater than the rate of throne ficiency drives and have realclusively available to pay TV and ITV have hardly any cash next six months. The talks yesterday appear ham Palace. Its members coninflation, possibly by £5 or £6 located money to priority These which include Wimbleto play with. That could leave to have turned on more day. sist of the Queen, the Duke of

In the latest of a series of six-monthly meetings the to-day matters involving the small group of family and face the family presents to the household members reviewed public. Since the marriage their long-term engagements and tax controversies which to assess whether they were getting out to enough of the people in the right balance of

have beset the family they are keen to ensure they "hit the right buttons" with the north and south during their people. 3,000 visits a year. Royal visits are planned to It is understood that the encompass a large number of widely forecast debate on condifferent groups of people, for example the young, the old, stitutional issues did not take southerners, northerners and place. Far-reaching options, minorities, as well as repreheavily trailed within Whitesentatives of the mainstream. hall, are being considered as The small committee headed by the Queen is known as the Way Ahead part of a much longer process. These include: C Ending the monarch's his-

Edinburgh and their children. Also there are the Queen's private secretary, Sir Robert Fel-lowes, and the Lord Chambercould be erased from BBC schedules when current conlain, the Earl of Airlie.

It is only in the past month that the palace has confirmed The BBC has already had problems holding on to sports that it exists and what it does. rights. In a difficult past few

If these negotiations fail sport, with the probable ex ception of Match of the Day,

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John Major and his wife spent the weekend at Bal-moral. He was accompanied by his Principal Private Secretary Alex Allen. Both Downing Street and the palace were playing down the level of discussions over the weekend, suggesting that no dramatic announcement of Group. It was the creation of reforms is imminent.

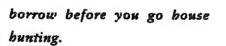
months it has lost motor rac ing, the FA Cup, and live Five Nations rugby from Twicken-ham. It stemmed the tide in a deal with Sky to hold on to highlight rights to Premiership football, thus securing the future of Match of the Day. But it had to treble the £4.5 million a year it paid from 1992.

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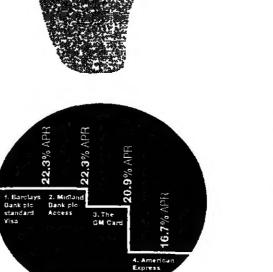
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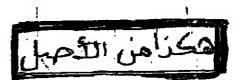
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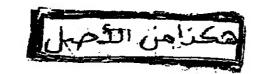
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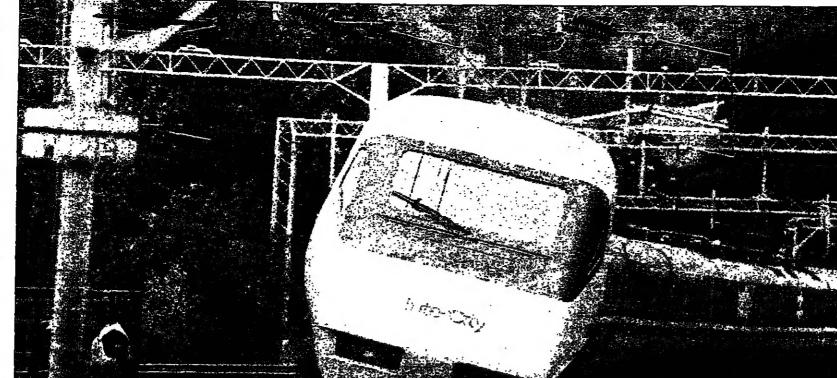
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vered and capable of 160mph but, unfortunately, bits kept falling off and on its trial run it made the passengers violently sick

A famous white B^{RITAIN's notorious} elephant is ^{remembered} as the one on elephant is trundled out of the sidings and hailed as another great British idea too far ahead of its time

Martin Wainwright on 'tilting train'

cleaning the revolutionary, four-car prototype before it goes on show. "We want to tell the full, fascinating "It was actually a great which VIPs threw up on a 160mph trial run and abanstory of the APT, and get doned as a huge waste of money, is to make its first away from the idea that it was just an expensive white passenger run after 15 elephant which just made VIPs and journalists throw in discreet retirement. The slender, bullet-shaped Advanced Passen-Although it became the butt of endless jokes after ger Train will open its hatch-like doors later this tilt mechanisms jammed ind engineers discovered that one leaning train might hit another travelyear in the railway siding at York where it has been left rusting in obscurity to save red faces at British ling in the opposite direction, the APT is now recognised as a rare example of "Perhaps this is one of ground-breaking the more unexpected results of rail privatisatechnology.

Lessons learned from the tion," said a spokesman at the National Railway Muprototype have been used in modern BR electric seum, which is springtrains, and Sweden and

quick-release steps sprang open at bumpy joins in the "It was actually a great success which did every-"They lost 15 sets when they hit platforms," he said. "And they went for thing that was asked of it," said Colin Divall, professor single-manning [a lone of railway studies at York university, as he led the swivel-chair occupies the way through the cab's jet-style fuselage. "It was the train cockpit] at a time when the unions insisted creation of aircraft engion doubling up." neers recruited deliber The restored prototype ately at a time when British Rail wanted to get away with its jet engines, cab-sig-nalling and unique hydrofrom the old, heavy-duty kinetic brakes still intact, concept of the train." will have its tilting ability renovated, although short The scientists at BR' runs are unlikely to go further than the museum's in-

Derby research centre crammed the test-train with novelties but had an ternal network of lines. unrealistic view of rail-Visitors will clamber through the cramped cab and then examine the small ways. Richard Gibbon, head of engineering at the eating section

Italy are putting the tilt | how, for example, the cab's | trial-run party -- who had been unwisely treated to a champagne breakfast vere sick.

"It was very unfortunate because this prototype was never intended to take passengers - it was designed to be cosseted and have engineers crawling all over it," said Prof Divall. "But they had to give it a public run because it was using a lot of public money. "It seems a shame that

other countries are developing the technology used in this train, which we have put in a museum. But its lessons have been learned by new British trains — the latest electric ones could be adapted to tilt - and that's part of the where the story we want to tell

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METHOD: Severely beat. Apply high voltage shocks to head, neck, shoulders, armpits, stomach and between legs. When electroshock baton runs out of power, start kicking prisoner.

As Hogg explains research Government is warned there is no chance of agreement on reduced cull

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Agriculture ministers will decide today whether to ac-cept the British scientific ar-'Failing to honour the cull and the undertakings given at Florence would agriculture." gument and agree to a change in the terms of the agreement. tell British farmers that there is no Brandishing a copy of last short-term prospect of the ban being month's Oxford university lifted at all and that is not in the interests of British agriculture' ulating that the equation was that there was less domestic Ivan Yates, Irish agriculture minister the ban with an unspecified | the Ministers' Council, said: timescale as each sector of the | The Florence agreement is beef industry was proved to | the only workable solution political damage from curtail-ing the cull and standing out against Europe than from trybe safe. John Major hailed it and to depart from that would make a bad situation almost safe and there is a strong case ing to reach a rapid solution at the time as a triumph which would see the ban starting to be lifted this when European consumers are clearly not yet ready to impossible. "Failing to honour the cull start buying British beef and the undertakings given at Florence would tell British autumn. again. The message for Scottish Ivan Yates, the Irish agriits non co-operation policy in culture minister who cur-return for a phased lifting of rently holds the presidency of term prospect of the ban ers — who send a much

being lifted at all, and that is | higher percentage of their catnot in the interests of British | the for export than the rest of the country — was not a officials vately equally pessimistic of The latest figures show beef the chances of an agreement, saying that the Government consumption across Europe is now up to 25 per cent below last March when the BSE crihad concluded there was no prospect of an early lifting of the ban, whatever it did. sis first broke and prices for beef cattle in the United King-Some diplomats were specdom are currently only 63 per cent of their level six months

Union member states appeared to he resigned to a stalemate over BSE in Brussels last night, with no chance of any part of the ban on British beef exports being lifted this side of the general election. As Douglas Hogg, the Agri-

statistical survey which esti-mates that BSE will be eradicated within five years at present rates of progress even without a slaughter policy. Mr Hogg said: "We are explaining the latest research. The controls in place mean culture Minister, began a that British beef is absolutely series of meetings with his EU counterparts, the Govern-

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for other countries to put sim-liar controls in place for their ment was warned there was no chance of agreement on a reduced cull, and that any industries." The Florence quid pro quo retreat from the Florence was that Britain would end summit compromise would delay any lifting of the ban.

has started into the sus-pected suicide of a men-

tal patient who absconded from the controversial Edith Morgan Centre psychiatric

unit at Torbay hospital. It is the second suspected suicide of a patient at the unit

within the past two weeks. The 38-year-old woman, who

had been detained under the Mental Health Act, was found

outside a multi-storey car

park in Torquay by the emer-gency services at the weekend

minutes after staff informed

police she was missing. The woman, whose hand-

Donald MacLeod Education Corraspondent

EAD teachers yesterday accused school inspec-tors of being soft on in-

ago. To concentrate agriculture ministers' minds on the diffi-culties the crisis was causing. outside the Brussels meeting streets were bloked off by riot police as German dairy farmers demonstrated to protest at the loss of EU subsidies to them if money is diverted to bail out hard-pressed beef farmers alsewhere.

time as they are allowed out

"This building was de-scribed by Sir Louis as an ob-servational nightmare. It is

very difficult to keep an eye

"The new building that has got planning permission needs to be constructed as

South Devon Healthcare

received approval to build the proposed £3 million 56-bed

unit following a planning ap-peal this summer but no date has yet been fixed for work to

The figure, estimated by an

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Tang Yuanjuan, a worker, was arrested in June 989, for organising peaceful demonstrations. He was sentenced to twenty years in prison. In May 1991, Tang was severely beaten because he refused to acknowledge that he was a 'criminal'. He was taken to a 'correction' unit where prison guards inflicted the tortures listed above.

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Designer stages |Second mental hospital 'suicide' catwalk revolt Geoffrey Gibbs N INVESTIGATION

Susannah Frankel Fashion Editor

VES Saint Laurent has broken with years of tradition by announcing he will not stage a full-scale catwalk show of his Rive Gauche ready-to-wear collection in Paris next month. Instead, he will show to a very small selec-tion of journalists and buyers at YSL headquarters behind closed doors. Pierre Bergé, chairman of the YSL Group and the

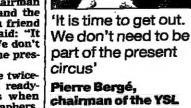
designer's long-term friend and collaborator. said: "It is time to get out. We don't need to be part of the pres-ent cirres"

ent circus. The "circus" is the twice-yearly international readyto-wear collections when journalists, photographers, models, buyers and hang ers-on descend on Paris. Milan and New York to

report on changes in de-signer fashion. "The in-creasing number of shows, their geographic dispersion, intolerable delays, difficulties in co-ordination and organisation do not allow us to present our collections to the press and profes-sional buyers in a fitting manner," Mr Bergé said. Yves Saint Laurent is not

the only designer who feels the hype — the media's obssion with celebrities: the fascination with which supermodel's dating who threatens to overshadow the real reason for showing which is, of course, to sell

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chairman of the YSL Group ing designers, Ralph Lauren and Donna Karan

as "irresponsible" for refusing to enter the fray and opting to show offsite competent staff rather than face the bassle of confrontation. in more intimate surround-The claim came as Gillian Shephard, the Education and ings. In Paris, fashion editors moaned as they had to travel from one side of the Employment Secretary, an-nounced that most schools city to the other to see clothes that, formerly, would have all been shown in the city's central fashion

headquarters. Mr Bergé said the Rive Gauche collection would be shown to around 10 journalists and it would be "an intimate moment for seri-ous fashion watchers". Yves Saint Laurent will continue to stage haute

In New York last season, Calvin Klein branded America's two other lead-

would be inspected every six years instead of the present four. She was following advice to relax the schedule from the Office for Standards in Education because inspec-tion had been a success. Weaker schools would be vis ited more frequently until they showed improvement. Ofsted inspectors mark teachers on a seven-point

head, the Chief Inspector, that | struggling member of staff or | not being given recognition.

15,000 incompetent teachers needed to be weeded out. Extremely bad or good marks can only be awarded after a second or third observation of the teacher. But Peter Miller, incoming president of the Secondary

Healthcare executives have

begun an internal inquiry into how she was able to

An inquest into the death of

another woman patient has been adjourned by Torbay

and South Devon coroner Ha-mish Turner pending reports. Mr Turner said that, while there had been "great im-provements" at EMC since a

damning report by Sir Louis

Blom-Cooper into the fatal stabbing by a patient of an oc-cupational therapist in 1993,

Ms Large's death showed the

abscond.

Heads' Association, said reg-istered inspectors were awarding a lot of "5s" and. shying away from awarding marks of 6 and 7 which could lead to disciplinary action. The need for more than one observation could complicate an inspection, in addition to

urgent need to press ahead going to get patients who take start.

the unpleasantness of con-fronting a teacher. Inspectors were also failing to give recognition to some excellent teachers because they did not have time to re-visit their lessons, causing jealousy and bad feeling in staff rooms. Mr Miller said a head

teacher who had identified a outstanding teachers were

one who needed disciplinary measures would be under mined if Ofsted inspectors gave a good or average mark. "Quite possibly one of the reasons we are seeing a lot of grade 5s is that inspectors are choosing to avoid the hassle, which is understandable." Drawing attention to a

bag was found on the top | with the recommended con-storey of the building, has struction of a new building to been named as Caroline Large. Universe the structure of the stru

tal health nursing at South Devon Healthcare Trust, said

many of the staff at EMC had known Ms Large for several years and had been deeply up-

"It is a very tragic incident.

Although she was someone who had always suffered from

evere mental illness, it was a

death that was unpredictable. The staff feel very concerned

and churned up." The Torbay coroner said that what had to be investi-gated was how Ms Large got

out in the first place. "One is

set by her death.

looming shortage of teachers, especially in modern languages, maths and sciences, Mr Miller said young people were being put off by the loss of job security and respect. Ofsted said the points sys-

all ages, many of whom made multiple applications for homes, said the Department tem had only been operating for a term and it was too early of the Environment. The inguiry, headed by An-dreas Whittam Smith, based to detect a pattern. Registered inspectors were expected to use the full range of marks. "They would get paid for extra work if it is involved," the figure on local authority homeless applications last year, and other research indi-cating that only two-fifths of said a spokesman, who admitted there was concern that young people applied to councils for homes

School inspectors 'too soft' homeless 'incredible' **James Meikle** HE Government yester day dismissed as "incredible" claims that about 250,000 young people in the UK aged 16-25 suffered homelessness last year.

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France to try bomb suspect Le Pen rebuked for exploiting

lan Black in London and Alex Duval Smith in Paris

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SENIOR Libyar spymaster linked o the 1988 Lockerble bombing is ex-pected to be tried in absentia in France for the downing of a French airliner over the Sahara a year later. it emerged yesterday. Relatives of those killed

when Pan Am flight 103 ex-ploded above the Scottish town said they hoped new details would emerge after news that a French judge. Jean-Louis Bruguière, is to call for Abdullah Senoussi and three other Libyans to be tried in absentia for the bomb attack which killed 170 people on a UTA DC-10 over Niger in 1989. Mr Senoussi, the deputy

head of Libya's foreign intellince service and a brother-

in-law of Colonel Muammar Gadafy, is expected to be when the judge meets named cictims' families on Thursday, the seventh anniversary

of the incident. He is named in Scottish legal documents in connec-tion with the bombing of Pan Am 103, in which 270 people died. He is described as having been director of opera tions administration of the country's intelligence service Two junior Libyan agents have been charged with the bombing.

The charges against Mr Senoussi will challenge the against him. technically correct but miseading claim of the British and French governments that there is no link between the UTA and Lockerbie cases.

Charles Norrie, whose brother Tony was killed in the Niger disaster, said: "We English and Scottish law did are normally expected to see not permit trials in absentia. | are the names of two accused

Lockerbie relatives hope for clues when judge hears case of African plane blast

But Pam Dix of UK Fam ockerbie and UTA as enilies Flight 103 said: "If a trial in absentia is proposed by the tirely separate issues. But how is it possible that a man French judge, at the very like Senoussi did not know ast that implies a willingabout the Lockerbie case? ness to do something to take "The French couldn't have the case further. This connicked a more high and imtrasts absolutely with the UK government's intransigence. portant person than Gadafy's brother-in-law. They must be certain they can make a case The details of the French trial would be of crucial im-Holding a trial in France will highlight the impasse in portance to the Lockerbie

families to see whether any the Lockerbie affair as the British government refuses to connections are drawn in court between the two bombings. Eight years after the explosion of Pan Am 103, all consider proposals for a trial the families have from an official source about who did it

men - and no prospect of anything else." Mr Brugière issued interna-

tional arrest warrants for the four Libyans five years ago but Tripoli has refused to hand them over. The three others are Abdallah Elazragh, a former first secretary at the Libyan legation in the Congo and two secret service officers. Musbah Arbas and Ibra-

him Naeli. The judge refused to comment yesterday on his investi-gation, which included a 10 day fact-finding trip to Libya in July. But he and the 10 police officers who accompanied him were said to have received "excellent co-operation", interviewing around 40 people. Libyan secret services al

legedly handed Mr Bruguière a US-made suitcase full of pentrite - the same explosive used in the bombing. They

claimed it was seized from op ponents of Col Gadafy. It is not clear why the Liby-

an authorities co-operated so readily. Four years ago the judge was turned away when he tried to land in Libya. The bombing of the DC-10 happened during tension between France and Libya over Chad, where the countries' armies clashed in the 1970s

and 80s Thursday's meeting between Mr Bruguière and 180 relatives of the UTA passen-gers will include a tour of the reassembled wreck of the plane near Paris. Investigators have recov-

ered around 80 per cent of the wreckage and have pin-pointed to within a yard where the bomb went off in the forward cargo loading bay. But any trial in absentia of the Libyan suspects will not happen for at least a year.



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leader, Jean-Marie Le Pen, yesterday intensified his efforts to exploit the divisions between moderates and conservatives already

papal visit

laid bare by controversy over the Pope's planned visit to France later this week.

Buoyed by a local election victory, a demonstration in Marseille at the weekend and a successful campaign to rally

rightwing papists to his cause. Mr Le Pen said he would attend a mass celebrated by the Pope in Reims Cathedral on Sunday. But he received an instant rebuff from Church leaders who said he was not among the 393 guests invited to hear

the Pope celebrate the 1,500th anniversary of the baptism of King Clovis, and would not et a VTP seat.

paptism was to "endorse mo baptisht was to chinase mon-archic religions and the div-ine right of kings, which was celebrated until Charles X crowned in Reims Cathedra in 1825". Mr Le Pen's party, which roundly denounces critics of the Pope as "unpatriotic", has

logian, Jean-Paul Willaime, said that to celebrate Clovis's

staged several anniversary events in honour of Clovis this year.

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His party has a strong following among anti-abortion activists and funda-mentalist Catholics — advocates of the Latin mass.

Mr Le Pen supports the spirit of many pronounce-ments by the Pope, whereas many French Catholics who make up 80 per cent of the population - are critical of Vatican teachings on condoms and abortion.

After a weekend dominated by racist rhetoric from the National Front, politicians of The fifth century king, who was baptised in an effort to all parties con mned Mr Le Pen yesterday for calling on unite lands riven by warring his supporters to prepare for revolution as "the wormeaten structures of our system collapse

Mr Le Pen's call to youth gion earning her the title of members to "rescue the "elder daughter of the country from decadence" fol members to "rescue the lowed a statement last week in which he repeated his belief in white racial supram-acy. This prompted the government to say it would consider drafting a new antiracism law.

Yesterday political leaders ranging for the communis Robert Hue to the rightwing former interior minister Charles Pasqua condemned his remarks.

Mr Pasqua denounced "those who disseminate theo-ries which are foreign to the human dignity which is integral to our country". Mr Le Pen has achieved his

promotion to centre-stage in the run-up to the Pope's visit with a well-tried tactic: making provocative statements which prompt response from mainstream politicians and which, as a result receive wide media coverage

An opinion poll in y day's Libération found that 51 per cent of people approved of some of the National Front's ideas, even though 71 per cent considered it to be

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Lebed battles for peace deal



A Deep Purple fan is arrested for fighting during a stadium concert attended by 30.000 Ukrainian enthusiasts in Klev

chy to be abolished, raising

the republican banner and

breaking an embargo on

discussion of the constitu-

tion since the death of Franco and introduction of

democracy nearly 20 years

ago. "Our pattern for the state

"The Spanish Communist

His words brought cries

of "Long live the republic" and "Down with the monar-

chy" from the crowd, but

Madrid at the weekend.

Party is republican."

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humiliated military have tom into the deal.

The biggest obstacle is the composition of a commission to determine who will particlpate in a provisional government. A hostile meeting of Russian ministers on Saturday decided to claim half the seats for Russians, with the other half composed of Chechen groups, including the rebels and their bitter rivals. the pro-Moscow government of Doku Zavgayev. This

would push the separatists under Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev into a minority. The military situation has

become more tense after the decision last week by the commander-in-chief of Russian forces, Lieutenant-Gen-eral Vyacheslav Tikhomirov, to halt the pull-back of his troops in Chechenia over 4 dispute on prisoner exchange. Each side has accused the

A government meeting at the weekend, meanwhile, said more restrictive daily, and Russian nationalists and the

David Hearst in Moscow ENERAL Alexander Gebed, Russia's secu-rity chief, today launches a high-profile at-tempt to keep the fragile ceasefire he negotiated with Chechen rebels on track. amid signs of mounting domestic political opposition to the deal and increasing local military tension.

On the eve of a visit by Gen Lebed to Grozny, the North Caucasus was plunged into yet another hostage drama, after a hijacker, believed to be Chechen, seized a bus in neighbouring Dagestan yes-terday and demanded a ransom of £65,000 for the 35 passengers. All the hostages were later freed and the hijacker

no part in the Chechen negoti-

ations, prolonging his stay in hospital for two more days. Most of his powers have assed to one of Gen Lebed's strongest rivals, the prime minister, Viktor Chernomyr-

other of re-arming.

Chechen peace could only be based on the constitution and the principle of the territorial integrity of Russia — a state ment which rules out consideration of the separatists' declaration of independence. Striking power workers blacked out parts of the Russian Far East on Monday. halving electricity output to protest that some have not been paid since April.

fled to Chechenia. President Yeltsin is taking

din. Gen Lebed was given his orders by Mr Chernomyrdin yesterday, before flying down today to renew talks with the moderate Chechen rebel chief of staff, General Aslan Mask-hadow But the promotion of hadov. But the parameters of the negotiations are getting

man who had held the post also never been fully invesunder the Socialists, to tigated. These could prove clean up after the GAL scandal, which contributed much more damaging than what Spaniards call "affairs of the skirt" and tend to shrug off with the com-ment "Bourbons will be Spaniards are given little | Bourbons".

"HE leader of Spain's drew an outraged response twice, from 1873 to 1874 ticular he accuses him of ground to question the Communist Party has from politicians. Other and again from 1931 until encouraging a cover-up of monarchy. The press shows called for the monar- members of the United Left the end of the civil war in the self-proclaimed anti- compulsive interest in the monarchy. The press shows compulsive interest in the love life of Prince Felipe, but, by British standards. media coverage is discreet.

pected ETA Basque separat-ists in the mid-1980s. The Spanish press has reported that the king sugested that the conservative prime minister. José Maria Aznar, should appoint as defence minister a

terrorist liberation groups known as GAL, who were responsible for killing sus-Most Spaniards are aware that the king has a history of romantic pecca-

dilloes, but these have never been reported. Sug-gestions during the 1980s of involvment in financial getrich-quick activities have

role in ensuring Spain be-came a democracy. came a democracy. Recently, however, Mr Anguita has accused the lipe González being ousted in the general election. heir, his father Don Juan Anguita has accused the de Borbón, was alive then. Spain has been a republic in political affairs. In par-

Early results signal Muslim crisis

1936. One of the turning

points in the transition to

democracy came when the then leader of the Spanish Communists, Santiago Car-

rillo, was persuaded to ac-

But although most Span-iards would openly admit

they are not monarchists,

the royal family is popular. King Juan Carlos is cred-

ited with playing a pivotal

cept the monarchy.

cott of the results by a polling day announcement that it PRELIMINARY results from Saturday's elecconsidered the vote on Serb tions suggest that Bos-nia's Muslim leader, Presiterritory invalid because of alleged widespread irregulardent Alija Izetbegovic, is ities. SDA non-cooperation facing a close race for the job of post-war head of state with a leading Serb separatist, would trigger a post-election crisis, setting back the internationally sponsored timetable for creating power-shar-Momeilo Krajisnik. ing institutions on the back of

As internationally super-vised counting continued late the poll. into the yesterday evening, there were clear signs that Mr The chief election monitor,

Spanish Communists raise the republican banner

These elections cannot be described

status

as free, fair or democratic'

Ed van Thijn, said last night | sistance," said Christopher that voting on Saturday had been conducted properly in 97 per cent of polling stations and there were no major ir-regularities. But he expressed democratic.

The SDA has already pre-pared the ground for a boy-cott of the results by a polling the vote into question yester-the vote into question yester the vote the vote into question yester-day, accusing Serb authori-ties of herding Bosnian Serb Serb control), and so - under the electoral rules - could

refugees in Yugoslavia over the border to vote in Bosnia, only vote for a Serb. A United Nations official on pain of losing their refugee said that while the turnout among Muslims was thought to have been 60 per cent, the Bosnian Serbs had been more "They were with overseers who handed out chits to confirm they had voted. If they regimented. Serb turnout was didn't get those confirmations they had been told they would estimated as 70 per cent.

Another damaging factor Mr Izetbegovic was the high incidence of spoiled bal-lot papers in the Muslim-Croat federation. The federation ballot paper presented lists of both Muslim and Croat candidates. Election monitors said "large num-bers" of voters had ticked candidates in both lists, in ef

Results from the first 16 municipalities suggested that Mr Izetbegovic's challengers were making inroads of over 20 per cent into the Muslim vote, while Mr Krajisnik's opponents on the Serb list were scraping little more than

altogether, and I would say Izethegovic is in trouble," said a veteran UN obs

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Nuclear silos empty at last Jultan Borger in Sarajevo

coalition of parties, which

Mr Anguita heads and which won 11 per cent of the vote in last March's

general election, also con-

Ever since Spain's demo-

cratic constitution was in-troduced in 1978, with a

Juan Carlos's position, de-spite the fact that he was Franco's choice to succeed

him and that the rightful

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is a republic," Julio An-guita said at the party's annual summer fiesta in isted not to question King

Thierry Cayol in Apt

Other politicians

are outraged by

challenge at

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head of state.

Adela Gooch in

Madrid reports

a party rally to

an unprecedented

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completely dismantled. Mr Chirac had already de-cided to dismantle short-range RANCE ended a 25-year Hades nuclear missiles in a doomsday watch yester-day, shutting down 18 land-based nuclear missiles at post-cold war restructuring. The S3D missiles had been in place since 1971, a symbol of the independence of a launch base under the Provence countryside and limit-France's nuclear strike force. Mr Chirac decided last year ing its nuclear defence to weapons aboard submarines and bombers.

"We are turning a page in history." said the air force chief of staff, General Jean Rannou, at a ceremony at St Christol, the headquarters of the First Strategic Missiles Group. "This has not been 25 wasted years but 25 years of

Closing down the base at Plateau d'Albion in south-east France is part of defence spending cuts ordered by the president, Jacques Chirac. The 18 S3D missiles, each

equipped with a I megaton warhead, have a range of 2.200 miles. it will take two years and

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tre for commandos or pilots of nearly 400 million francs combat helicopters, or an electronic intelligence listen-(151 million) for the missiles and their buried silos to be ing post. - Reuter.

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to close the site, but the n was overshadowed by his simultaneous announcement, Izetbegovic's electoral advantage as head of Bosnia's Mus-lim majority had been signifito much protest, that France was resuming nuclear tests in the South Pacific. cantly eroded by the combin-ation of a relatively low The base's closure coin-cided with a visit to Paris by Muslim turnout, a large num-ber of spoilt ballots and the successful manipulation of the Serb electorate by its septhe Australian foreign minister. Alexander Downer, yes-terday to repair relations after the nuclear testing row. Communities near the Al-

aratist leadership. Most observers believe that bion base are worried about Mr Izetbegovic's party, the SDA, would refuse to accept the economic impact, but the defence minister. Charles Momcilo Krajisnik, the lea Millon, has promised jobs will not be lost. ing Bosnian Serb candidate. in the role of chairman of the Gen Rannou said the base three-man presidency. The SDA accuses Mr Krajisnik of night become a training cenmasterminding ethnic cleans-ing. Under present rules, Mr Krajisnik would become Bos-nia's leader for two years.

concern about the secessionist rhetoric used during the campaign and recommended certification of the elections should be withheld until the Bosnian Serb leadership renounced its separatist

Bennett, an ICG official. The IGC added: "Against this background of adverse conditions, electoral engineering and disenfranchise-ment, these elections cannot be described as free, fair or

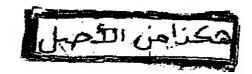
lose their right to refugee as-

About 1.4 million Muslims were eligible to vote, com-pared to 900,000 Serbs. But only about a million Muslims

aspirations. The Washington-based In-ternational Crisis Group.

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12 per cent. "You take all these factors



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Chairman Mou mixes profit and revolution. Andrew Higgins reports from Beijing

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Enemies close in on

China's whizz-kid

zens. But, along with the rest of the official press, the organ of the Chinese Communist Party has now fallen silent OU QIZHONG turned tins of pork into planes, offered to buy the Chinese about a man it used to praise. navy a £2 billion aircraft car rier and travelled the world hawking the "greatest busi-ness opportunity in the his-tory of mankind". He also loyal disciples. He says sacked employees have tried to take revenge by spreading false rumours about his fi-nances and business prac-tices. "Rumours." he says, "can kill." proposed building the world's tallest skyscraper in Shang-hai and naming it after Deng Xiaoping But the ambitions of Chi-

na's most flamboyant tycoon have suddenly narrowed, A self-proclaimed "Confu-

cian-capitalist" who looks like Mao Zedong, takes Great Helmsman-like dips in the Yangise river and fancies himself as the visionary of a new Chinese revolution, Mr He has appealed

for help against Mou is trying to avoid arrest. His passport has been cona 'conspiracy' by

fiscated, part of his pool of cars impounded and his opponents of credit lines cut by state banks

which once eagerly encourthe free market aged his plans to put satellites

in space, drill for oil in Texas financial wizard. Mr Shen won plaudits and money from and lure £150 billion in foreign capital into China's state industries. the state for a plan to develop

"I love business but I love a new energy-saving motor. He was later arrested. theory even more. I especially love philosophy." he says. "This is very dangerous. accused of fraud and, in April 1994. executed by firing China is a country where squad. Mr Mou's fate is likely to politics and economics cannot hinge on politics as much as the law. He has written to the be separated. That is part of

our history ... But even if I sense danger I still do it." **His headquarters** in a

sprawling compound rented from the People's Liberation Army in western Beijing has the air of a beleaguered cult. Mr Mou's alogans decorate the walls and his speeches fill the pages of a company newspaper which appears twice a month in English, Chinese and Russian.

Each of the 400 employees The momentum of the deal helped him launch a commuof his Land Economic Group carries a staff card with his nications satellite and set motio: "The world has nothhim on a dizzy trajectory of ing that cannot be done, only media hype and official ap-things that cannot be imag- plause. He became a "reform | run into many difficulties."

ined." Visitors are presented with his Collected Works. These include essays with Mao-sounding titles such as On Smooth Tillering and ex-planations of The One Degree Theory: futurested as the open hero" and one of China's "10

best entrepreneurs". The ease with which he once secured loans from state banks is often explained as a reward for political services during the 1989 Tiananmen Square student movement. While most of Beijing rallied to the protesting students, Mr Mou echoed the government's Theory, trumpeted as the core of Mr Mou's dialectic-materialist outlook. The People's Daily once listed "Chairman Mou" as one of China's 10 richest citidenunciations of the Tiananmen "turmoil".

men "turmoil". He seems eager to play the Tiananmen card again, hop-ing that the party's dislike of the democracy movement may sway its leaders to his side. But he has no illusions about the perils of mixing politics and money. His appe-tite for grandlose gestures Like many gurus, Mr Mou blames his problems on distite for grandiose gestures and statement has already

landed him in jail twice. He spent four years on death row in his home prov-ince of Sichuan as co-author Mr Mou's meteoric rise mirrors that of Shen Taifu, di-rector of Great Wall Machinof a political tract. Whither China? written at the end of the Cultural Revolution. Only ery and Technological Com-pany. Hailed as scientific and the purge of radical Maoists after Mao's death in 1976 saved him from execution.

In 1983 he was back inside, this time for making too much profit on brass clocks which he had bought from a military factory in Chongqing and sold to shoppers in Shaprhai Shanghai.

Now apparently in trouble again, he has scaled back his wilder projects and no longer talks of buying the People's Liberation Army a mothballed Soviet aircraft carrier A vow to revitalise state industry through a multi-billion dollar fund has yielded only a modest investment in a Manchurian car parts plant.

He still proclaims a grand vision for anyone ready to listen. "The centre of the world is shifting to China. the prime minister, Li Peng, appealing for help against a "conspiracy" by enemies of the government's free-market This is the biggest business opportunity in the history of mankind."

Staff, tired of waiting for him to deliver on a promise of policies. Neither has replied. Mr Mou shot to fame in 1992 'American pay and socialist benefits", are beginning to de-fect. Among those who have when he traded 500 railway parted company with his Land Economic Group is an Englishwoman who worked meat, down jackets, socks and other consumer goods for four Russian Tupolev-154 jets.

as a personal assistant. "Land will not fall," insists Mr Mou. "It has merely encountered a few difficulties. The establishment of a mar-



A statue of Queen Victoria at a Hong Kong park named after ber is covered with red paint and the nose is smashed after being vandalised vesterday. The culprit, who was sent to hospital for observation, said he took the action for art's sake PHOTOGRAPH SAM SAM

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News in brief

Grenade blasts mar **Kashmir elections**

SEPARATIST militants attacked polling stations, and protest-ers mounted a state-wide strike yesterday as India's troubled Jammu and Kashmir state held the second phase of local

Security officials reported at least five blasts, including two Security officials reported at least five blasts, including two grenade attacks, in the separatist stronghold of Anantnag, 35 miles south of the state's summer capital, Srinagar. Three paramilitary troopers were wounded in one of the grenade attacks, residents said. The authorities reported normal to brisk polling in most of the 34 constituencies conducting polls in the second phase of the

The authorities reported normal to brisk polling in most of the 34 constituencies conducting polls in the second phase of the four-stage elections. The state is holding its first assembly elections since 1987. The last assembly was dissolved in 1990 after the outbreak of the separatist rebellion, in which more than 20,000 people have died. The polls are considered crucial to India's efforts to restore democratic rule. — *Reuter, Ananinag.*

Megawati left off poll roll

MEGAWATI SUKARNOPUTRI, ousted as leader of the Indone-sian Democratic Party (PDI) in June by a government-backed faction, was left out in the cold yesterday when the country's three legally-recognised parties submitted their candidates for

three legally-recognised parties submitted their candidates for next year's general elections. Megawati, daughter of Indonesia's late founding president, Sukarno, and currently a member of parliament, was not on the list of PDI candidates submitted by her replacement, the deputy parliament Speaker Surjadi. He said four or five members of her faction were included from PDI branches in Bali, Jambi in central Sumatra and Maluku in eastern Indonesia. — *Reuter, Jakarta*.

Report exposes 'fetish slaves'

AUSTRALIA'S Anti-Slavery Society claimed yesterday that there were up to 35.000 religious slaves in west Africa, and that girls as young as eight were forced to perform sexual acts for holy men to appease traditional gods.

A report, The Forgotten Girl-Slaves of West Africa, said the girls were the modern version of religious slaves formerly offered as human sacrifices. They are known locally as "fetish slaves". It said the they existed mainly in Ghana, but also to a lesser extent in Togo. Benin and Nigeria. Girls were given voluntarily by their parents. - Reuter, Sydney.

Prostitute's diary subpoenaed

PROSECUTORS investigating the Whitewater property affair have subpormed the diaries of Sherry Rowlands, the prostitute who revealed her relationship with President Clinton's former political adviser, Dick Morris, the New York Post reported esterday.

The independent counsel, Kenneth Starr, is reported to be Interested in Ms Rowlands' claim, denied by Mr Morris, that be interested in Ms Rowlands' claim, denied by Mr Morris, that be told her Hillary Clinton was behind the White House's im-proper gathering of FBI files on top Republicans, the newspaper said. He may also be interested in Ms Rowlands' claims that Mr Morris divulged Whitewater damage-control strategies to her, such as his advice to Mr Clinton to distance himself from his wife in core sho was indicated. Als New York wife in case she was indicted. - AP, New York.

Monaco royals to divorce

PRINCESS Stephanie of Monaco will go ahead with plans to divorce her husband, Daniel Ducruet, after 14 months of mar-riage, her Paris lawyer's office said yesterday.

The break between the princess, aged 31, and Mr Ducruet, aged 32, came after Italian magazines published photos of Mr Ducruet romping with Miss Nude Belgium at a secluded villa.

The princess was reported by France Info to have met her husband at the weekend to discuss possible reconciliation but no details of the meeting were available. — AP, Paris.

wagons stuffed full of tinned

Mother Teresa suffers fall

bed battles Lynch mobs hold Apartheid assassin tries to trade MOTHER TERESA suffered a minor head injury in a fall vesterpolice at bay 'dirty tricks' secrets for amnesty r peace dea

is increasing in spite of tougher laws,

writes Phil Gunson

Violence in Mexico

they recorded 28 incidents and 21 deaths. There have HE suspected thief, his face bruised and bloody, his bands tied behind his back, struggles to stay on his feet as enbeen at least four more deaths since then, but many attempted lynchings go unreported.

President Ernesto Zedillo came to office in 1994 com-mitted to a thorough overraged stallholders push him at a run through the hanl of the justice system, a task he admits is far from narrow market alleys.

"A state which cannot

A crowd of 50 to 60 people gathers as the man, his head slumped, is tied to an complete. "Society is right to be indignant at the lax applica-tion of the law," he said in iron post and his captors debate what to do with him. "We're going to pour petrol on him and burn him." says one, as municipal police in his annual state-of-thenation address a fortnight ago. "It is right to lack con-

fidence in laws which, in-stead of punishing cimi-nals, reinforce impunity two squad cars watch nervously from a distance. Half an hour later, as tempers cool, the local police commander tries to intervene, but meets with a and encourage recidivism."

But despite tougher laws and reforms of the police stream of abuse. "Try to set him free and we'll do the 'Try to set him free

same to you, you son-of-a-bitch," one man shouts as the police officer retreats. On this occasion the vic-

and we'll do the tim, whom the stallholders same to you, you accuse of regularly stealing their goods, is lucky. Nego-tiations between the lead-ers of the lynch mob and son-of-a-bitch' including the appointment of army officers to crimethe police commander.

backed by soldiers with as-sault rifles, lead to his fighting posts - public con-fidence remains at rockbottom. In March a group of 65 prominent intellectuals

release into police custody. Rodolfo Soler, an alleged rapist, and murderer, was less fortunate. A fortnight ago television viewers. around the world saw video footage of his execution by the community of Tatahui-Capan, in Veracruz state. À local human rights

wrote an open letter to the president in which they called for "strict mea-sures" to deal with crime, but within a framework of respect for human rights. group said police arrived provide security for its citi-zens is incapable of providafter the victim had been severely tortured, but left ing anything," they wrote. "What does it matter what it offers, if it cannot protect soon afterwards. The vil-lagers tied him to a tree and set him alight. He took human life?' about ten minutes to die. It was the most promi-

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Official figures show that crime in Mexico City is 15 per cent up on last year. But surveys show that most nent of a series of lynchings which has claimed more than 20 lives in the past goes unreported. A poll last year by the Reforma newsyear and which human rights monitors say reflects the failure of police and courts to bring criminals to

justice. "The justice system is in most invariably because bad shape all over the they thought it a waste of country," said Roger Maltime donado of the human rights commission in Xalapa, the state capital.

Statistics compiled by fenders with whom the GEA, a research group in police had failed to deal.

Mexico City, show that vio-lent conflicts of all kinds Chris McGreal in Johannesburg rose sharply this year. It found no evidence of lynch-

ings between December FORMER South African police colonel, once described as apart-1994 and August last year, but in the year to August 27 heid's most effective as accused senior police officers yesterday of ordering the operations. nurders, and claimed that leading politicians, including the former president P. W. Botha, must have known about at least some of them. Colonel Eugene de Kock convicted last month on 89 charges, including murder, gun-running and fraud, -egan his revelations about the former regime's dirty tricks campaign in the hope were killed. that his sentence might be cut and his chances of an amnesty improved. the raid. He told the supreme court in Pretoria that be had suffered nightmares and ill health be-cause of his work as the fororders of a police general. He admitted he was respon mer commander of a police counter-insurgency unit near Pretoria and as a member of hit squad in Namibia.

vert activities dating back to the Rhodesian bush war. He has made it known that he plans to implicate about 10 police generals and at least

"I started shooting at him. He fell, but stood up and contwo former cabinet ministers — Adriaan Vlok and Hernus tinued running - and we didn't miss when we shot Kriel - in the hit squad him," he said. He and colleagues involved

The police generals have themselves said they will tes-tify soon before Bishop Desin the operation were awarded medals. It was De Kock's second: his mond Tutu's truth commis-sion on apartheid-era crimes. first was for for blowing up the ANC's office in London. De Kock, aged 47, accused Mr Botha of sanctioning a raid in 1985 into Lesotho in He said he had been turned into a ruthless killer while serving with Koevoet, the which about 10 African now defunct counter-insurgency unit of the South Afri-can police which combatted National Congress activists He said three police gener-als were involved in planning guerrillas fighting for Namib-ia's independence.

He also said three prisoners in Namibia were killed on the icy of using silencers on its weapons.

sible for the murder 13 years said ago of Zwelibanzi Nyanda, chief of the ANC military

wing in Lesotho and brother

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But he appeared relaxed as | of the present chief of staff of | does not reflect my true he told his long history of co- | the South African army. | feelings.

De Kock said Nyanda was unarmed and already wounded when he was shot. show.

breathe.

He said the unit had a pol-

"You use them for assassi-nations, for nothing else," he

"I may sound clinical and litical, others were tied to unemotional when I testify fraud rackets and gun-

about these operations, but it | running

"It's not something that you flaunt. You can't go around crying because then everyone behind you starts crying. You

cannot allow the stress to De Kock said he left the unit because he feared its commander wanted to eliminate him. As a result, he told the court, he had suffered nighmares, stomach ulcers and panic attacks, during which he was unable to

Among those in court to hear his admissions were the present minister responsible for the police. Sydney Mufa-madi, and the deputy intelligence minister, Joe Nhlanhls, who were once the target of government hit squads.

De Kock's chances of a complete amnesty are poor be cause there was evidence dur ing the trial that although some of the murders were po-

day, a Calcutta hospital said. A statement from Woodlands Nursing Home said she was in intensive care and doctors were awaiting the results of a brain scan. Her condition was not serious, the hospital said, "but her cardiac irregularity continues" — a reference to the irregular heart beat she has suffered since hospitalisation in late August for 18 days with heart prob-lems, Malaria and pneumonia. — *Reuter, Calcutta*.

Camila's 125-mile trek

AFTER a trek home of 125 miles, Camila the cat (pictured) is back in the arms of her owner. Nuno Filipe, aged 12.

The seven-year-old cat strayed while the Felipe family was on holiday in northern Portugal. They hunted in vain for her for a week before giving up and returning home to Coimbra, central Portugal. Last week, Camila returned home too, under

her own steam. The long march had taken its toll: her pink paw pads had turned a rugged black and her claws were worn down. - AP.

Germans plan SAS-style unit

THE head of Germany's land forces, Lieutenant-General Heimut Willmann, has unveiled plans for a 1,000-strong special combat unit along the lines of Britain's SAS. The KSK unit, geared to behind-the-lines operations and freeing hostages abroad, is part of a broad reform designed to give Germany a rapid response

capability. Training will last three years and produce specialised units for parachute and water-borne landings and other operations. Gernany will co-operate with the SAS and is sending its first batch of soldiers to train in Britain in the next few months. Overall, it aims to have about 37,000 troops available for all kinds of rapid leployment by the turn of the century. - Reuter, Bonn.

to buy a subscription for Solar conference lacks stars cash or with promotional points from cigarette

INCREASED use of solar energy was urged at the opening One story it is safe to asyesterday of the Solar Summit, sponsored by the Zimbabwean government and the United Nations Education and Scientific "We must act seriously in adopting solar energy and engage

our scientists to tap this vast source of renewable energy," as President Robert Mugabe, who opened the summit. Enthusiasm was dimmed by the fact that only nine of the expected 23 heads of state attended. --- Andrew Meldrum, Haran

Correction: A photograph from Romania published in the Guardian yesterday was not Miron Cozma, as stated, but Corneliu Coposu. Apologies for the error.

> "She could almost be Labour. She's a caring **Conservative.**" Portrait of Lizzie Noel, Tony Blair's opponent

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support on Iraq own image maker they did not expect Iraq to remove all air defence mis-

lan Black Diplomatic Editor S PRESIDENT Bill Clin-

A ton insisted yesterday that he "sought no [new] confrontation" with Iraq, the US defence secre-tary, William Perry, con-sulted Michael Portillo and Charles Millon, his British and French counterparts, in London at the end of a Middle Eastern tour during which Arab states and Turkey ex-pressed opposition to further

American air strikes. British officials insisted they stood four-square behind the US. "There don't need to be any words of caution," said one. "We agree with the Ameri-cans on both the military action and the political ratio-

paper found that 64 per cent of crime victims had not gone to the police, alnale of what's been happen-ing in the Gulf." But the officials admitted

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they were relieved when In both the incidents cited Washington stopped threatenabove, participants said the victims were habitual ofing "disproportionate" re-sponses to the loss of Kurdistan and made it clear that troops there.

siles from the southern no-fly zone in order to avoid new strikes.

Appetites for further US action are waning. Mr Perry was nevertheless expected to step up pressure on France, which has refused to back America's tough stance against President Saddam

lussein. British sources confirmed reports that despite the with-drawal of army and Republican Guard units in Kurdistan, the intimidating presence of Iraqi secret policemen was

increasing. At the weekend Mr Perry visited Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain to maintain miliand ball and economic pressure on Irag, and talks yesterday with Turkish leaders pro-duced few signs of support. Mr Perry heard good news

only in Kuwait, which despite a defence agreement with the US took until yesterday to approve Washington's request to deploy additional ground

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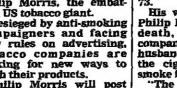
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new rules on advertising, tobacco companies are looking for new ways to

the new magazine to 1.5 million households next month. Entitled Unlimited: Action, Adventure, Good Times, it will carry reports on rugged and masculine subjects such as rock climbing, pool halls, and classic

road trips. Philip Morris says it will be aimed at "regular guys" aged between 21 and 29.

At first it will be free; later readers will be invited | peared in its adverts.



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David Maclean, the actor and sometime Marlboro Man who died of lung cancer last year at the age of 73. His widow Lilo is suing

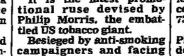
Philip Morris for wrongful death, alleging that the company failed to warn her husband of the danger in the cigarettes he had to

smoke for the adverts. "The commercials were very carefully orches-trated," the lawsuit claims. "David Maclean was required to smoke up to five packs per take in order to get the ashes to fall a certain way, the smoke to rise a certain way and the hand

to bold the cigarette in a certain way." Philip Morris is fighting

the claim. It says it is not even sure the actor ever ap-

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Debt-driven education

We must devise schemes to help the poor

finance higher education will blench at the illustrative figures produced by the vice chancellors for their annual conference which meets today. Within four years students could face annual charges - to cover maintenance and a contribution to tuition fees - of £5,675 rising to £6.875 by the year 2005. A typical student will be leaving university after three years with debts of £20,000 or more. How is higher education going to attract more students from poor backgrounds under such a scheme? Which government would dare impose such a punitive tax on predominantly middle income people? Isn't it time we went back-to-basics and financed higher education through the tax system?

First let an important myth be scotched. Britain never had a free system of higher education. Even in the days of nirvana, only 18-year-old schoolleavers were guaranteed free tuition and maintenance. Thousands of parttimers and many mature students were shut out of this cosy world. This was always an anomaly but today is an outrageous aberration. Mature students now outnumber traditional under graduates in higher education. Most parttimers and postgraduates already have to pay tuition fees. If reformers want free higher education then they must recognise the size of the sector: 1.5 million degree and diploma students and another million on vocational and tailor-made courses for industry.

British higher education has become an industry in its own right with a turnover of £10 billion. But like other industries it has been seriously hurt by the squeeze on public expenditure - a squeeze which has prompted a succession of warnings from the vice chancellors of the threat to educational standards. Higher education has expanded

EVEN supporters of a graduate tax to achieved by squeezing vast numbers of extra students into existing facilities. It was the vice chancellors - who at one point threatened to introduce their own fees - who finally forced ministers to set up the Dearing inquiry into higher education finance which conveniently will not report until after the election. It will be up to Sir Ron Dearing to advise on how big a contribution students should make to maintenance and tuition costs.

The vice chancellors have produced a coherent brief. They are right to point to the reasons why further expansion is still needed: morally because all those who can benefit should be given the opportunity, socially to reduce the likelihood of an unemployed underclass emerging; and economically to compete

in the modern world. They are right to argue "the problems of undersupply of graduates will be far worse than those of any over-supply". It is clear the two main political parties will not support the tax rises required to fund the necessary expansion of higher education. Britain would only be joining a growing list of countries which now ask for a contribution to fees. Indeed, the vice chancellors' figures only represent a one-third contribution to the cost of tuition. Yet what is missing from the vice chancellors' brief is special provision to increase the proportion of stu-dents from poor homes. True, the intro-duction of a graduate tax in Australia in 1989 allowed 30 per cent more stu-

dents from disadvantaged backgrodunds to attend Australian universities. But cultural diffences do need to be measured. The British working class is different from the Australian. Some years back the vice chancellors devised a full cost fees scheme with incomerelated scholarships for students from poor families. The scholarship part should be resurrected. Five figure gradbut much of the expansion has been uate debts are no way to widen access.



The answer to priestly celibacy is simple: turn the clock back

THE BISHOP of Argyll's resignation | ried men with children. It was not until will fuel the debate which is already 1139 that Rome imposed celibacy as a rampant — though rarely public requirement for the priesthood. By conwithin the Catholic Church over the trast, the Orthodox churches' priests celibacy of the priesthood. Pope John have always been able to marry. It is Paul II has said there is nothing to be not that the Catholic Church discussed on the matter; any bishops move with the times — merely to revert who dare to hint that they differ, can to ancient traditions. There never has been and still isn't any theological find themselves summoned to Rome to have their knuckles rapped. What is underpinning to the celibacy requireastonishing is the gulf between the ment - Jesus Christ says nothing on Pontiff and the vast body of the Church: the subject. Indeed it is possible to read most Catholics consider it is only a the decision in the twelfth century as a matter of time before celibacy for the pragmatic move to preserve church priesthood becomes optional. property from being dispersed through The overriding imperative for this inheritance. monumental change is that the Catholic For centuries, Catholic priests have struggled with celibacy - in many Church is approaching a crisis shortage of priests. In Europe, the number of corners far from the hierarchy's sharp vocations has been declining for deeyes, relationships with "housekeepcades, and already, a third of parishes ers" have been widely tolerated. What a are without a resident priest. That series of scandals in Ireland, and North proportion is expected to rise sharply America have done over the last debecause the age structure of the priestcade, is to expose the seemy underside hood is heavily weighted towards the of this harsh rule - the frustrated over-sixties. Those running seminaries sexuality erupting in child sex abuse, and training colleges say that celibacy the hidden relationships with women is a deterrent to men who might otherand priests' denial of the illegitimate children they father, as well as the wise be interested in the priesthood. Advocates of a married priesthood loneliness of priests who turn to alcocan draw on history to justify this volteholism and smoking. About 1,000 priests have left the British priesthood face. In the early Christian church, priests could choose to be celibate or to to marry in recent decades; many are marry, and some of the great theologian talented, deeply dedicated men whom bishops of Constantinople were mar- the Church can ill afford to lose.

some focus groups. Once the leadership has accepted their recommenda-

tions, the constituency par-ties can be told what they

OW that Tony Blair's have to put on the ballot many will be the revelation party is breaking from paper. that the proposed curbs on public-sector unionism are inand also disassociating itself (Liberal Democrat peer.) from socialism as a term, the question arises of what label it should fight under (Labour 49 St James's Drive, London SW17 TRN. THERE is certainly a need to revitalise Labour's links not only with the unions summit to fight revolt threat,

September 16). The "Labour Party" as a label on the ballot paper would still suggest an under-lying link with the trade unions, likely to turn off the target C1/C2 voters who ever, this should not be used as a cloak for an attempt to revive the SDP by the back count, "New Labour" sounds better, but still carries unfordoor, and implement anti union legislation. Trevor Fisher. tunate labour union Honorary Secretary.

"The New Party" sounds fresh and clean, but rather Labour Reform empty. "New Democrats" has much greater resonance, provided that Clinton wins and doesn't pursue his attack on welfare too vigorously before the British election arrives.

Letters to the Editor

Perhaps the best thing to do would be to pull together a concepts team to brainstorm on labels with the likeliest appeal to target voters, and then try the most promising out on

undertones

tended to prevent action in support of a decent minimum wage. It is a hideous prospect that millions of people will expect Labour to do something about their living standards, and yet Mr Blair will use all but a whole range of commuthe means at his disposal. not to prevent poverty, but to prenity organisations, as called for by the new Clause 4. Howserve it. Ed Horton. 34 Birchfield Close,

A united front against Mr Blair

Oxford OX4 5DL.

NICK Prior's misguided as-section (Letters, September 12) that "It is essential that the interests of service users come before those of the trade unions" reeks of Blair and Blunkett's treachery. In a democratic state, the basic right of workers to exer-

general public, Adam Fagin. 24 Bedford Road,

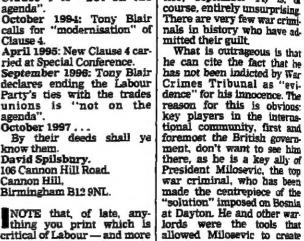


UNE 1994: Tony Blair de-clares that "modernising" Clause 4 is "not on the agenda". October 1994: Tony Blair Clause 4. ried at Special Conference. agenda". October 1997 ... know them. David Spilsbury.

Cannon Hill,

cise some control over their terms of employment, and to resist management attempts to maximise profit at the expense of working people, is far more essential than the relatively mild inconvenience to rail commuters and the

count H Rogers.



thing you print which is critical of Labour — and more especially of New Labour — is the impression, supported swiftly followed by a claim from a Labour Shadow Minissubsequently by the British government, that Bosnia was a chaotic civil war rather ter or MP that your account or analysis is misleading or than the masterminded can paign of expansion and geno-cide to create "Greater Sermisconceived. I find it hard to believe that

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Having achieved the maxi-mum territorial gain possible at the time, Milosevic offered himself as the "peacemaker", and his puppet Arkan adopts his politics accordingly. Arkan's letter could have

Arkan: the

prosecution

THE fact that Arkan claims to be no war criminai (Let-

ters, September 14) is, of

been written for him by Milosevic's government. Dayton suits him well as it will prove unworkable and

PO Box 5219. Birmingham B13 BDY. WHAT really amazes me is that the unions still want to bankroll a party that has little to offer the ordinary worker, let alone those who are also trade unionists. LES Stennett. 72 Woodnlumpton Road Woodplumpton.

WITH every day that passes, the reasons to support Tony Blair become London N2 9DA fewer. The last straw for



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RONT-page articles (Noel walks out definitely, and maybe it's all over for Oasis, September 13)? A leader comment? For heaven's sake. Five per cent of the population may have tried to get tickets to see Oasis at Knebworth, but that still leaves 95 per cent who didn't. Surely the 5 per cent in thrall to the Gal-laghers can get their informa-tion from the music papers, which are, after all, better informed and often friends with the band. The present media storm surrounding Oasis eems no more legitimate than Bill Grundy's goading of

Maybe not

Hertford College, Oxford OX1 3BW. the Sex Pistols. Oasis, especially Liam Galagher, are being encouraged to be outrageous, and then condemned in shocked tones when they oblige. Being in-credibly rude about them, with constant references to being yobs, or implying that Patsy Kensit is a grasping groupie, will only encourage worse behaviour.

cut conclusions. None of this

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Oasis have been acting this culminating in a frankly inway for years; if this is the last time, maybe the press sulting editorial "apology" | Torquay, (Leader, September 14). Much | Devon TQ2 6LX.



more of this and I'll begin to think you lot just aren't very Rock and Roll. Get hip to the beat, daddio. Oasis deserve better. lieve in what we're doing. It's

Michael Conaghan. 4 Shipwrights Lee. Island Wall, Whitstable, Kent CT5 1EW.

TRYING to find something sensible in the Guardian about Oasis is about as likely COR the Guardian to devote half the front page and most of the third to the tireas Tony Blair joining the NUM. It's rare to see a newspaper so fail to get to grins some activities of a couple of foul-mouthed yobs makes me with a major cultural phe nomenon. At the heart of it fear that the dreaded yoof culappears to be middle-class ture is taking a grip on our estimable organ. sniggering at the Gallagher brothers' proletarian antics, Jack Critchlow. 73 Sherwell Hill.

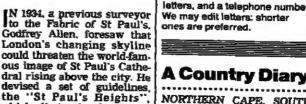
Overlooked

Godfrey Allen, foresaw that London's changing skyline could threaten the world-famous image of St Paul's Cathe-dral rising above the city. He devised a set of guidelines, the "St Paul's Heights", which limit the height of nearby development. More

recently, protection has been given to long-distance views of the cathedral.

Baltic Exchange building does not lie within the area protected by the St Paul's Heights, nor does it infringe any of the selective long-dis-tance views. But it introduces of the people. This year, the Monetary Institute, the Commission, the Parliament, eco to London a quantum leap in about the value Londoners, and indeed the nation, place on the image projected by the skyline of the city. All who value the potent image of the dome of St Bault nomic and finance minister and the EU Summit in Dublin will monitor how well mem ber states are matching the

convergence criteria. This ex-ercise will prove that nobody wants to relax the criteria or image of the dome of St Paul's rising above the rooftops of to support lax fiscal policies. The more the EU co-operates to overcome unemployment from which the Baltic Ex-change building will, if built, look down on Wren's master-plece. It is 385.5 metres high; St Paul's is 111.5 metres. the more member states can fulfil the convergence criteria Martin Stancliffe. Surveyor to the Fabric of St Paul's Cathedral.



Norman Foster's proposed some 3,400 square miles, and there are another 7,000 square miles of protected land on the Botswana side of the border with no fences in between. Although not as well known or visited as much as many other African parks it has to be one of the greatest. Together the two sections pro-vide one of the least vide one of the largest areas of protected wilderness in Africa. We could only spend two days in the park and, with rain having recently fallen in

London should be aware of the full extent of the height 29 Marygate, York YO3 7BH.

(My part in the virgin's bad | Serbia", he can be quite sure. hair day, September 13) can't check her facts. For a start, will become a reality in the long run. No need at the mo the Bad hair day?! campaign ment for his "tigers" to kill is not a solo by the Church of England — the Church Army, more innocent civilians, but time to try and re-write Baptist Union, Roman Cathohistory. The important point about lic Church and Evangelical

Alliance are all equal part-Bosnia is that no wrongful act ners. And who needs £200 000? had been committed by the The campaign so far has cost Bosnian government in secoljust £500. I know - I'm one of ing and neither was there a the organisers. Everyone in-volved gives their time and campaign by the Bosnian government to harm any ethnic expertise free because we begroup in any way.

In short, there was no reason why the Serb minority should have been unable to pursue its political aims by peaceful means. Yet leading Serbian politicians decided to use aggression and genocide to create "Greater Serbia". This is why Mesars Arkan, Milosevic, etc should appear

in The Hague. I've heard that, at some placably opposed to div-orce, yet her bishops who are point during the war, the Bos romantically inclined always seem to be attached to divnian government thought about bringing a suit under the 1948 Genocide Convention against the UK for failing to prevent persons from com-mitting acts of genocide. That would have been a case against a key player, not a puppet like Arkan. Christian Wisskirchen Stanger Road, London SE25.

A Country Diary ************************

NORTHERN CAPE. SOUTH | harsh semi-desert county side with an unpredictable rainfall of only eight inches 2 AFRICA: The Kalahari Gemsbok National Park lies in the triangular corner of South Afyear, only the hardiest of rica between Namibia and Boplants can survive and we tswana, covering an area of saw very few flowers. The ground cover is mainly woody shrubs, the driedoring shrub being the most com-mon with its fine leaves and forked branches. Many animals in the park depend on plants as a source of moisture and as we drove along the dried-up river beds we occasionally came across the tsamma, a creeper that pro-duces a melon-like fruit, and several prickly cucumbers which as well as fruits have succulent roots -- all impor the northern sector, many of the large herds had moved tant sources of water in peri ods of drought. Bird life was suprisingly rich with the sec-retary bird a common sight strutting across the clay pans but the most obvious ware the into Botswana to take advantage of the new source of water and food. Nevertheless, we saw small groups of wilde-beest, eland, springbok and grey duiker, along with the ever-present predators such as Cape fox and Silver-backed jackal, but we misced the form large colonies of social weavers and their huge, many-chambered nests woven into the branches of the camelihorn acacia irees. J M THOMPSON jackal, but we missed the fam-ous Kalahari lions. In this

Po-faced revolution in Padonia The best way to combat it is strong government in Rome

S THE COMEDY over, or just begin- | tory. Never mind that there were more ning, in northern Italy aka Padania? The Po has long been known as Italy's longest river with the shortest name. Now it has been adopted by Umberto Bossi, in the original Greek version, as a symbol of northern unity and independence from Rome. In a world where secession is a serious post-cold war phenomenon, anyone who proclaims it in however implausible a context can win at least 15 minute's attention. Mr Bossi has been unable to say where Padania begins or ends: strictly speaking it should include a chunk of Switzerland and stop at the Po instead of taking in the whole of Tuscany. Only 13 per cent of Mr Bossi's own party, the Northern League, actually supports his call for independence. Yet his journey downstream from the source of the river to Venice has attracted the sort of treatment last earned when Hannibal invaded the Po valley. .

It may prove too much of a good joke. The sight of green shirted cadres applauding crazy rhetoric, and the display of absurd medievalist symbols.

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sightseers than partisans to welcome Mr Bossi, and that some confused the new Padanian flag - a red on white cross - with that of a famous Dutch football club (shouts of Ajax, Ajax). Or that there is no historical myth behind Padania to sustain it. Or that Mr Bossi's provisional government has been formed with no pretence of democracy effective court proceedings and to deliver swift and clearand certainly no endorsement from the supposed populace of Padonia. There is a strong rational case against the sepais within our power. Under standably, frustration and anger build up and are direc-ted at an accessible Foreign ratist claim that the Italian north is being held to ransom by a Mafia-ridden south. Corruption has been revealed as knowing no geographical boundaries. Northern industry has thrived for years on cheap southern labour. Yet the most disturbing feature on Sunday was the inability of the Italian centre-left government to respond effectively. Only overseas. We know the impor-tance details can assume in tragedies. Open and honest dealings with families are essential. But the needs of the the neo-fascists found the forces for a counter-demonstration in Milan. Mr Bossi can only be answered effectively

if Rome is seen to be promoting effective constitutional and regional reform. Otherwise "The birth of Parings a disconcerting bell from past his- | dania" could still become tragi-comedy.

On death and diplomacy YOUR article on the tragic | for the return of Paul and deaths of Paul Miles and Joanne Stickland in India in (Dr) Liam Fox MP. 1992 (Fighting a lost cause, Parliamentary Under-Secretary

September 11) contained a partisan attack on Foreign of State. Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Office staff. The truth is that we did

London SW1A 2AH. more than you describe. But whatever we did, and do every day in such cases, it is in the nature of tragedies that it can never be enough for the bereaved. The families of vic-

Unity talks A"GRAND compromise" is union (September 12); what tims of violent deaths abroad expect the Foreign Office to counts is the Treaty. The European Parliament insists the Treaty be respected in order to protect the interests bring perpetrators to justice, to ensure prompt and

of lower public deficits. Christa Randzio-Plath.

Chairwoman, Monetary

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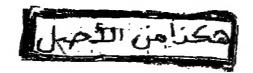
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youth culture in this country. Philippa Booth.

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AM distressed to hear that my old friend Kim Howells, Labour MP for Pontypridd, is being dismissed by some as a "politi-cal chameleon" and "lightweight opportunist". Nothing could be further from the truth. When the trade spokesman argued in the Sunday Times for the humane phasing out of the word "socialism", this had nothing to do with bandwagons and jumping. The fact that Kim was once, when a NUM official, con-sidered a militant trade sidered a miniant trace unionist is neither here nor there. In 1983, after Arthur Scargill had visited a meet-ing of miners he had organised, Kim wrote to Mr Scargill praising his "excel-lent contribution", and ending the letter with the touching thought: "remember that you always have our full support". Six years later, however, when friendly with Neil Kinnock, Mr Howells was in the thick of the discredited Mirror campaign against Mr Scar-gill over Libyan cash. Ah well, it's all ancient history now, of course. No doubt this time Mr Howells does means what he says. HAT troubled times these are for Labour's junior em-

ployment spokesmen. First Stephen Byers ... and now Ian McCartney is in trouble. The poor chap has the words "socialist member for Macclesfield" on his notepaper. Mr McCartney laughed at our offer to recycle his stationery (we can gloss over a witticism about "recycling old stories"), saying: "the problem is that it says I'm a socialist on my birth certificate". Bad boy.

RANWHILE, from New York comes the news that Socialists International, which held a congress there last week, has elected as a new vice president a certain Mr Tony Blair. Luckily, this took place before Sunday, when Mr Blair wrote in the Observer that: "The TUC was created when some trade unions disapproved of the unions forming the Labour Party and wanted their own organisation". Intriguing though this analysis is, the TUC was in fact formed on Whit Tuesday 1868, some 32 years before the Labour Party came into being.

HE management of the Express titles by Clive Hollick (who we used to know as a "socialist peer") continues to impress. While he continues to withhold her payoff from sacked Sunday Express edi-

lime to declare a sound-bite-free zone

with prostitutional overtones, Commentary masqueraded as solemn medi-cal inquiry in the interest of

the Union. This remarkable piece of degradation had a straight-faced political life of 48 hours, before the White House sunk to producing an 11-page exon-erative report. Since most American devices, among them both sound-bites and spin-doctors, have made an automatic journey eastwards, we may need to decide with-out delay whether this is an

HE ultimate riposte to sound-bite politics, which are the politics of swift, selective infection we want to catch. Probably not. But the test has truth, was proposed to Presi-dent Clinton last week. It is its attractions. In an age of artiflex, it goes back to basics. Here is the corpus of the leader, stripped hare for all to see. No more concealments, not an answer that John Major, whose autumn cam-paign includes high-minded complaints about the trav-esty of sound-bites, is likely no more pretence. This is where my candidature beto entertain. But who can deny that it reaches new levels of thoroughness, the gins, says the plain and honest man, shorn of every deco-rative subterfuge that soundantithesis of the bite, in the assistance it offers the elecbite politics contrives. Mr Major's vision of the six months' electioneering ahead torate's judgment of a candi-date for office? The Republicans suddenly probably doesn't go that far. Complaining about the tone demanded that Clinton should release his complete health records. The reason for the task requires of him, he has found an idyll to set be-side his warm British beer of

health records. The reason for this was as grotesque as it was disingenuous. Not only must he yield the file of his lifelong medical check-ups, with appropriate itemising of diagnoses and prescriptions. but the body itself was but the body itself was but the body itself was narticular its most intimate incompaled specu-incompaled specu-incompaled specu-incompaled specu-incompany in the incompany in the incompany incompany in the incompa sumably attending in their intruth, an alibi. Jenkins' biography, Glad-Jenkins' biography, Glad-stone drew 86.330 listeners in never escape the effect of in-stone drew 86.330 listeners in never escape the effect of in-surely, the opposite. The British condition proprieties. fered from VD or worse, and was under a duty to prove otherwise. Blatant prurience, 15 days), in the iniquities of

alarmingly a country on the brink of systemic meltidown. Sound-bites, paid for or other-wise, have become the only devolution. Only sound-bite supremacy prevents it. In his nostalgia, Major has a language most people under stand. By a grim but inescap-able paradox, the larger the country, the bigger the issues,

country, with 50 different sub-versions of politics, and an electorate often remote from

state, never wind federal, gov-ernment, two slick lines on Medicare are enough to make sense of an issue otherwise seen as impenetrably com-pler. A contest between rival slicknesses is, over large

tracts of the US, the best most

leaders can hope to promote. For both leaders and led, America appears ever more

the more available the money, the smaller the chance of a sophisticated democratic dialogue.

Britain has its own prob-

Our readiness for

point. Sound-bites, as a prime medium of communication. have their limits. They come in two main varieties, each de-signed to tell everything but the total truth. One is calcu-lated, much massaged, sedulously rehearsed, and appears either as the highlit moment of a speech or the crafted res-ponse to a pre-planned inter-view. The other is the sudden response to an instant devel-

the democratic opment of which the politician knows almost nothing. Here what's needed is crisp empti-ness. Both brands of bite, requirements of the electronic moment won't be damaged by the age, are distinguishable from the Gladstone method by the media, but by overriding priority they give the politicians to what is usually trivial and always simple.

But that's as far as I go with Major, or any other politician who says the media are all ems. It has many lousy news papers, ready to print lies. The parties can pay for their own propaganda, also usually mendacious. The need to that stand between him and the plenitude of his message. Whereas the sound-bite is a make sure the right soundnecessity in the US, its impor-tance in Britain is largely the bites are sent forth is no less great here than anywhere contrivance of politicians and else. But we have bonest telethose they pay to help them. Television news can only vision and an educated pub-lic. Vast though the funds are cope with small sequences, but the notion that this is that parties will be dedicating to attempts at news manage-ment, I don't believe political silencing the serious debates subencing the serious densues politicians want to have, or impeding the understanding voters think they need, is high among the clichés of po-litical complaint which are, understanding will be any less deep or pervasive in April 1997 than it was at the time when Gladstone was shouting to make himself



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makes sound-bites a marginal contribution. Excess not scar-tity is our problem. No sooner has a Labour front-bencher talked about the end Today's new bencher talked about the end of socialism (as if this, incred-ibly, was a new idea) than his utterance is pored over from every angle on every channel, and then given authoritative exegesis by the Labour leader himself. So it goes with every controversy that rises high among the narrow, repetitive and increasingly, threadhara superstar is wearing a wig



views, reaching millions, abound, and often at a length that gives the politician every **Charles** Leadbeater

opportunity to explain what he means. So available are the extended thoughts every HE THOUGHT that my son might want to be come one fills me with dread. He will insist on wastleader wants the electorate to know, that any voter who cares to listen will have been perfectly barricaded against ing my afternoons by dragging me of to watch them perform. Posters of them in action, arms

vaving, fingers pointing, eyes probing, will adorn his bed-room wall He'll want to wear hugely expensive, schoolboy-sized versions of their overthe coups-by-sound-bite Mr Mawhinney or Mr Mandelson are even now cooking up. Note, however, the caveat. In the coming six months, our readiness for the democratic priced kit.

noment won't be damaged, by and large, by the media, but by the politicians. What-ever they want clearly to say, at whatever unbitten length, will get through. If the 40-min-ute speeches fail to resonate you can't run my life for me," he will tell me. "George Car-man is my hero. I'm leaving as Gladstone's did, it will be because they are calculated If detail is missing from the

great orations, it will not be because a sound-bite culture bas imposed such trivialising blandness but because the politician, for any number of reasons, has dacided there are things he chooses not to ex-pose. Rather like Clinton and his body, though with less claim on the political

not to do so.

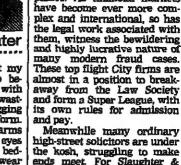
and increasingly threadbare preoccupations of a country

small enough to interpret

them in a common language, and with a quantity of media outlets that substantially ex-

outers that substantially ex-ceeds their capacity to throw new light on what they feel obliged to write about. Speeches may be thinly reported, but articles prolifer-ate. Mr Blair's essays are sel-

dom out of daily print. Inter-



the kosh, struggling to make ends meet. For Slaughter & May read Manchester United and for White & Smith, local specialists in conveyancing, read Hereford, clinging on to the bottom of Division Three. Twenty years ago they would have been recognisably part of the same profession. Now they exist in different worlds.

greed. Different factors are at work among solicitors and bar-risters. With solicitors, it is al-most as if the profession is div-ident the profession is div-

iding in two. The top multi-

partner companies are now more like multi-national com-panies. As financial markets

There have always been ce-lebrity barristers, but now they are falling prey to the Angus Deayton syndrome: success breeds success, celebrity begets celebrity, good contacts lead to more good contacts. When a modicum of talent is married to a gift for self promotion, a very small difference in performance can generate a huge rise in earnings. That dictum has long been true in the entertainment business; now it also applies to the law.

Should we really worry about rich clients wasting their money on expensive, legal brand names? We do not get worked up about them spending their dosh on Hermes, Ferrari and Chanel, so perhaps we should not worry about the prices charged by Messrs Pollock, Sumption and Beloff QC.

HE CASE for concern is twofold. The first is that the emergence of a mil-

Fat cattery is spreading across the economy like a raah. Cedric Brown, for all his tery: there are only a limited faults, was at least exposed to number of big cases each year public outery and removed. He

I will beg him to be sensible and aspire to follow in the foot-steps of Noei Gallagher or Alan Shearer. But no, the lure of fame and fortune will be too much for him to resist. "Dad.

man is my hero. I'm leaving home to become a barrister." Instead of reading the whole-some journals of my own youth, Goal and NME, he will take out an annual subscrip-tion to The Lawyer. By the time he grows up there will be a digital television channel de-voted to the courtroom antics of lawyers. By that stage Car-man, the very rich libel lawyer

man, the very rich libel lawyer star of today, will be rather like Stanley Mathews, a poorly mid star of wathers, a paid star of yesteryear. Lawyers, you see, are about to become millionaire celebri-

ties. Not all lawyers, of course, just a select few. Ten barristers earn between 1hm and 11.5m a year, according to a survey published this week by the Chambers & Partners Directory of the legal profession. The list does not include Mr Carman, so that means there are almost certainly 11 barris-

ters earning more than £1m. And that is not all. A survey by Legal Business magazing found that commercial solici-tors in the City are enjoying a boom. Profits per parimer at Slaughter & May, the top law firm, last year averaged £460,000. Even juniors, in their first year as partners, earned \$290,000.

lionaire elite will clearly set a new benchmark for middleranking barristers, who might do legal aid work, and encour-age them to charge more. The second worry is the malign influence this will have on our children. The arrival of the millionaire barrister will encourage more ambitious people to go into the law. But the law is rather like the lot-

tor Sue Douglas, the same paper has dropped Julie Burchill's column — and in strict accordance with good management practice, no one has yet bothered to tell Ms Burchill. The svelte pundit, whose last effort (on homosexuality) was spiked. had a contract worth a meagre £135,000 a year, and can expect a cheque for £70,000 (assuming that hers is a contract Lord Hollick intends to honour).

OHN Redwood's

Career as Diary pop correspondent is threatened again. Refusing to come to the phone yester-day to discuss his beloved Oasis ("a cricket match" was his excuse), all he did was send this message; "it is a great pity for British pop that Liam Gallagher does not want to spend more time with his family". It's not good enough ... and so a substitute has been lined up. Step forward Sir John Junor, who in his Mail on Sunday column dismisses Liam Gallagher as someone with "miniscule talent". It is not Sir John's way to base such a strong judgment on ignorance, and in this case it seems certain he would have studied the subject in depth before pronouncing. This is why we hope to tap into his expert-ise on Oasis later today.

HOSE not deterred from a winter break to Australia by the Bondi Beach murder might bear in mind the tale of Swedish backpacker Magnus Carlstedt, as told in the Fortean Times. Mr Carlstedt was removed from his Sydney hostel, the Jolly Swagman, by ambulance men, who then removed something from his ear with tweezers ... a two inch long cockroach, which had crawled in during the night.

IF HED HUNGON A BIT. HE COULD HAVE HAD A WINDSOR

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Pension reform is now a key issue for Labour - yet Harriet Harman's plans just won't do. David Brindle gives her an (on the record) briefing on why she must do better

An acid test for Labour

partly, too, media expectation of Flynn (again) bashing Blair. But there's something more in brief, as you have now discovered, is a bed of the air. Up and down the country. Labour traditional-ists are latching on to the pennettles. Pensions policy can be a political graveyard. Talk of pensions usually prompts glazed eyes and empsions issue as an acid test of what their party still stands for. They want Labour to ties rooms. It can be a desperate task to get the issue into the pages even of this newsshow that on this one, highly paper, let alone the Daily Mail. symbolic, policy it remains de-cent, redistributive and, if I Not now. When Paul Flynn, may say so, socialist.

For these people, and for many others, Labour's stance your awkward-squad back-bench colleague, last month hosted the launch of a deeply technical pamphlet on the as set out in Security in Retirement just won't do. It failings of Labour's pensions talks vaguely of new, low- come support to which they

OU must be wishing you were still was packed. shadowing health. The social-security too media expectation but of the private sector. It pro-party, too media expectation but of the private sector. It pro-poses continuing the Tories' Custer-style, you will have to the form of the pension from the form of poses continuing the Tories' indexation of the state pension by prices, not earnings. It ditches the plan, proposed by John Smith's National Commission on Social Justice, for a minimum pension guarantee to lift all older people above the level of income-support benefit.

You have been trying to dress up Labour's latest idea as an alternative form of gugrantee. But, in truth, it would be merely a way of making it easier and less stigmatising for pensioners to claim the insecurity.

do better.

busk and flannel because few people outside the NHS understand or care very much about the detail of policy on the internal market. As (at least) as much of you as of Robin Cook is said to have Peter Lilley.

remarked when fronting for Labour on health: "Seventy-two per cent of people prefer our policies — and the interesting thing is I haven't told them what they are." No such luxury exists in social

Pensions is emerging as a Social Services Correspondence

their Tessa, simple concepts At health, you were able to like earnings indexation strike a deep chord. The thousands of pensioners who marched through London at

the weekend were thinking

According to a recent poll by Anchor Trust, 65 per cent of older people trust MPs less than they did a decade ago. Will you be leaving them even more disenchanted?

and are affordable. Those put forward by Tony Blair's office

David Brindle is the Guardian's

an impact on us than excessive payments to a handful of executives at privatised utilities, because it could ratchet up the price we pay for the criminal

and so only a limited num is now enjoying a uniquely of opportunities to win the well-carned retirement, deliv- really big prizes. really big prizes. This mismatch between sup-

well-earned retirement, deliv-ering lectures to amateur gas enthusiasts. But the rich pick-ings earned by lawyers have largely gone unnoticed, until now. This oversight is per-verse. The inflated earnings of lawyers could have far more of something inst as remarking in the average in the source of the sour when they could have done something just as rewarding and probably more interesting in another walk of life. As Noel and Liam ponder their future, they may not have noticed this ustice system. The sharp rise in lawyers' the nation's youth. It is just

one more reason they should earnings is not temporary, nor is it entirely reducible to stay together.



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Here's how we can all be better off

Barbara Castle and Peter Townsend warn against policy-making on the hoof

T IS WRONG to suggest. as Harriet Harman, tested benefits on grounds of Shadow Secretary of State poverty. The proposals we have put for Social Security, recently did, that our pro-

forward are less expensive to the taxpayer for two reasons. posals to link the basic pension to changes in earnings and restore Serps are "highly First, they are largely self-financing. National Insurance contributions are earningscostly". On the contrary, the plans, outlined in our pam-phlet We Can Afford the Welrelated so benefits like pen-sions can be earnings-related too. Working people are prefare State, will actually save the taxpayer money. They are also less wasteful and less inpared to put aside enough for their old age. The institution is flexible and popular. A Pay-As-You-Go scheme, secure than those Harman

eems to prefer. Our proposals do not deal like National Insurance, is not threatened by the slowly rising numbers in the pen-sioner population. The Gov-ernment Actuary has supjust with existing pensioners' living standards, but show how millions of young people might obtain greater security for themselves when it is plied figures which show that the existing contribution their turn to retire. This is rates could cover for many the nub of the argument. Young and middle-aged people throughout the country have told us of their anxieties about how little money they can depend on when they leave work. Many see private pensions as impossible or as an expensive lottery. And a predatory Tory pension can be increased in accordance with the movegovernment has undermined the two state schemes - the basic retirement pension and Serps - which it had believed

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number driven into means- | surance income exceeds ex- | democratic control over | ment tried to introduce penditure on benefits. them. They have been in-Billions of pounds from this "profit" have been used to Tories. Harriet Harman subsidise private pension schemes.

That means there is mas-sive scope for alternative judicious expenditure on appro-priate welfare benefits in future years. Thus, a parliamentary reply on July 18 to Jean Corston MP, on behalf of the Government Actuary's department confirms that in

four years' time National Insurance income is expected to exceed National Insurance expenditure by £3 billion a year. This figure will increase to £8 billion in 2020-21.

On alternative actuarial as sumptions - for example about the level of unemployyears to come the costs of both the increasing pensioner population and the basic pen-sion, linked again to earn-ings. We know that this puz-zles many people. They will be wondering how the basic person can be increased in Scrondly, our proposals are

a year. Secondly, our proposals are less expensive to the taxpayer ment of earnings instead of because means-tested benefits the movement of prices, and involve huge administrative not lead to the putting-up of costs (each basic pension taxes or contributions. Peter | costs 45p but each means-| seem not to understand that it could depend upon. This Lilley has engineered a tested benefit £5.45 a week to we have been there before. In

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"minimum income guaran-tee" but in the end had to Tories. Harriet Harman seems to be following the settle for a revised form of means-test - Supplementary Tory strategy of whittling away the basic pension and adding to means-tested Benefit instead of National Assistance. Pretending that the means-test will work in targeting poverty if the name is changed did not work then She invokes the discredited and will not work now. The Shadow Labour leader

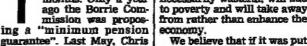
Anson Committee's proposed additional "assured pension" and seems to think it will ship continues to say that the basic retirement pension will remain the "foundation" of future pensions, but falls to replace means-tested income Support for pensioners. But the committee made clear their scheme is itself meansinject the earnings link to fultested. The "assured" pension will therefore be, in Harriet fil that word. If it is not tied to earnings, and is tied only to Harman's own words (reported in the Guardian, September 14), "inefficient, prices, even Michael Portillo has said that it will become "nugatory" in the years to come. Our proposals are costed

> change in recent months. Only a year ago the Borrie Comare not costed. They are un-necessarily wasteful, will add mission was propos-

guarantee". Last May, Chris Smith introduced the "pento a vote, the great majority of slon entitlement". This is polthe British population, young and old, would be prepared to icy-making on the hoof.

pay for their security and for Each time the new authors improved adequate basic benefits through National Inunnecessarily increases the "profit" whereby National In- (administer), and there is little | the 1960s a Labour govern- | surance contributions.

expensive, and fails to reach those who need it most". HIS IS the third



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Jane Baxter

Too nice to be great

went to see her rather than any play: though the playwrights who fur-nished the kind of light comedy in which she flour-ished had a skill of their own. Names like PG Wodehouse. lan Hay, Gerald Savory, Freddie Lonsdale, William Doug-las Home. Terence Rattigan and Ronald Millar had the art of light comedy at their fin-gertips, but they depended on actresses of the quality of the delicate. indeed delectable. Jane Baxter to make it work. Manners mattered then. Poise, deportment, the social graces; and no actress knew better how to express the use of them in a thoroughly wellbred English way. The wide eyes, the high cheekbones, the winning smile, the poise, the exquisite femininity may sound now like a cliche from a vanished era but in the years before and after the war they set her apart.

She moved about the stage so heautifully. Her voice was ever soft and low, an excellent thing as King Lear said in a woman; and the perhaps un-gallant wonder now is that a boy of 14 should have felt such enchantment for an actress more than twice his age. Playgoers have disputed whether Cella Johnson's presence in a comedy was not, by definition, a more magical thing: but Johnson was somewhat out of our social element, being --- in her theatrical roles — a rung or two higher up the social ladder, whereas Baxter seemed more like someone we should have felt at home with, had we

been so lucky. She was not, let's face it. any great shakes as an actress. How could she be unless she took on the classics? They were the test. But as long as she stuck to drawing room comedies, domestic dramas and the politer kind of farce her art was worth anybody's time. Sometimes she strayed.

Under Alec Guinness's direction she ventured Viola for the Old Vic in its post-war heyday. All agreed that she was lovely, but Shakespeare makes poetical and tomboyish demands of Viola which were not met. We marvelled

ANE BAXTER, who has died aged 87, was nothing if not personable. You not make her poetical. not make her poetical. Rumour had it 20 years later that Baxter had shown unsuspected powers as Mrs Alving in Ghosts; but that was at Bury St Edmunds and besides the revival coincided with Peggy Ashcroft in the same part for the Royal Shakespeare Company, so you might say that for once Baxter's timing was bad. The truth is that Jane Baxter was best at playing Jane Baxter, and whatever part she undertook that is what we relished. Nor were her admir-ers confined to male adolescents. After he had seen her in a patriotic war film, Ships With Wings (1941). Winston Churchill pronounced her "that charming lady whose grace personifies all that is

best in British womanhood." No nonsense about her being a great actress. Whether she aspired to such heights, her personality was too attractive for unsympathetic roles to make sense. Who would have thought

that Baxter was half-German? She was born Feodora Kathleen Alice Forde in Bremen. Her English father died when she was six months' old and she was brought up with an elder sister, also an actress. and a brother in Wimbledon by her German mother, a singer, who gave recitals and music lessons to scratch a living. The two sisters went to the Italia Conti School, Jane made her professional debut as an urchin in a short-lived Adelphi musical, Lore's Prisoners, starring her brother-in-law Harry Welchman. HRISTMAS meant

a part in Peter Pan. JM Barrie advised a change of name and when she found it in a fictitious childhood heroine the great man assumed she had picked his initials and dubbed her thereafter "my stage goddaughter".

She understudied and played the title role for a week; and then Ian Hay, prince of light comedy writthere. ers, launched her in 1928 in three of his successive West End frolics - Damsel In Distress, Baa Boa Black Sheep, and The Middle Watch. Other



Actress who charmed Churchill . . . Jane Baxter's grace 'personifies all that is best in British womanhood'

photograph of Baxter pinned and flirtatious Frankie in Saup on his locker. In 1930 she started in films vory's unexpected hit, George and Margaret (Wyndham's and if she seldom was as 1937, and Piccadilly 1939) she effective on the screen as the could not of course go wrong: and one reviewer fancied that stage it was because the cam-era could not — as it did for she showed more emotional many a rival — add to her charms. Indeed it came be-tween us and that ability than usual in Rosa-mund Lehmann's No More Music for the International personality. Besides, she never could bear the brashness of Holly-wood. After finishing a film Theatre Club. In Rattigan's While The Sun Shines (Globe 1943), she was in her element as Lady Elizabeth, the flirta-tious WAAF flancee of with Charles Laughton (Down River) she married the Brook-

Michael Wilding's sailor earl who casts an eye — and what eyes she had — first at a young Free French soldier lands racing driver Clive Dunfee. Two years later she saw him killed in an accident and then at a handsome In the leading role of Jeanyoung American bombardier

Jacques Bernard's delicate romantic comedy, Martine, she seemed about to turn on the eve of her wedding. Trifles, light as air, but what pleasure such acting more serious, but when she gave - as long as Jane Baxter

evocatively titled comedies failed to keep the part for the did not have to stoop to any. Ily to ber own in *Upstairs*, followed such as *Leave It To* transfer, she went off to the thing beneath what we judged *Dournstairs*, and in the 1960s she took the title role in *The Midshipman* after which, they say, many a sailor had a As the extremely pleasant of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the American and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the avertain a the transfer. The flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the American and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the avertain a set the ideal Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be the part of the start and the start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be start and start and flicticus Eventsia in Sa. How could be start and the start and t

It was as the ideal English How could that American ingénue, gentle, forlorn, un-failingly feminine that Baxter cousin not succumb to her? Keeping stolen money in Mary Jukes's Be My Guest? Out of the question. Such roles did not convince. lured us into the playhouse. 'There is no more sincere actress in the West End," a

And so a long and busy career proceeded in Lons-dale's Aren't We All?, Sacritic declared, but when asked to recall a certain performance he spoke of "a quiet vory's A Month of Sundays, little scene in a vague little Ronald Millar's The More the comedy in which she was making a bed with her sister Merrier and William Douglas Home's A Friend Indeed. At on a hot morning in Earl's Chichester her elegance beau-tifully assisted Jean An-Court." It is as good an epitaph as any. She leaves three children ouilh's Antoine in John Cle-

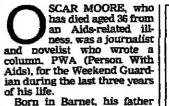
from her marriage to Briga-dier A H Montgomery who died in 1978. ments's heyday as artistic director; and in 1972 she was back at the Haymarket as the Mother in John Mortimer's A Voyage Round My Father.

Eric Shorter In the 1970s Baxter turned

Jane Baxter, actress, born He was editor for a few years September 9, 1909; died September 13, 1996

The Guardian Tuesday September 17 1996

A column of courage



of his life. Born in Barnet, his father was a technical author while his mother, the daughter of a Dutch artist, was a housewife. He was educated at Haber-dashers' Aske's School for Boys, in Hertfordshire, where he emerged as a flamboyant and witty character with an interest in drama. While he was an object of heart-flutter-ings for girls in Haberdashers' twin school, he discovered

that he was gay. Moore read English at Pembroke College, Cambridge, and whereas he enjoyed the hedonistic side of university life, he could often be found in the university library first thing in the morning while other inveterate partygoers lingered in their beds. He knew that he wanted to be a writer and made several efforts at stage drama. One production — a revue, Happy, Happy - was taken to the Edinburgh In his late teens, he divided

his time between studying for his A levels and Oxbridge and exploring the adult world of rent-boys in London. Such activity put improbable amounts of cash in his pocket and gave him a worldly air that his fellows lacked.

Many of his Cambridge con-temporaries knew about these exploits and regarded them as exotic and amusing, though it was undoubtedly hard for his parents to discover, in a single swoop, his homosexuality, his past career as a male prostitute, and the diagnosis of his HIV status, when the paper-back of his largely autobiographical novel. A Matter of Life and Sex, was published in

1992. (The hardback had been published the year before under a pseudonym.)

FTER graduation. Moore supplemented his income from teaching English as a foreign language with occa-sional drama criticism for Plays and Players and Time Out and by working for male

seemed an unlikely direction for him to take, since his in-

terest in films was primarily aesthetic, but he none the less

steadily acquired an impres-

escort agencies: he once found that he had been hired for the evening by Russell Harty's boyfriend as a birthday pres-ent for the TV personality. He found more conventional

employment, however, as a journalist specialising in the

film and television industry. of a monthly trade magazine, September 12, 1996 The Business of Film. It



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Moore ... unflinching

He exercised regularly in a gym and twice a week he swam 40 lengths. One fright, recalls visiting him during a hospital stay and finding him doing press-ups while at tached to various drips Moore forced himself to eat normally, despite a lack of appetite and the loss of his sense of smell and taste, and he was always fully informed about new drug therapies. In deed, the intensity with which he clung on to life was similar to the intensity with which he had earlier experimented with

sex and drugs. Right up until the last, Screen International continued to pay him as a consul-tant, though Moore scorned sympathy and earned his salary by working on special projects particularly electronic

publishing. In the final stretch, he be-came increasingly preoccupied with the sheer struggle to in Oxford.

friends, though not the kind who are stereotypically at-tracted to camp homosexuals, He could "do" camp, but that

was not his persona; there was an underlying seriousness and self-will which complemented his exuberance and sensitivity.

He is survived by his parents, two sisters, and his parimer. Jorge, a cinematographer. Oscar had met Jorge a little over three years ago and in the opinion of close friends had truly fallen in love for the first time.

Christopher Silvesta

Oscar Michael Moore, journalist born March 23, 1960; died

Death Notices

LAY Shirley Louise of On Curre Hospice, Caterbarr,

keep his body alive. He lost his sight in one eye, then in 1995 the retina of his other eye became detached. Although practically blind towards the end he was still seeking treatment for his eyes once a week Moore possessed a wide cir-cle of female as well as male

Birthdays

Lynda Carr

Prof Sir Donald Acheson, former government chief medical adviser, 70; Prof Sir James Armour, veterinar ian, 67: Anne Bancroft, actress, 65; Rt Rev Timothy Bavin, Bishop of Portsmouth 61; David Bintley, choreogra pher. 39; Prof Alec Broers, engineer, master, Churchill College, Cambridge, 58; Mar-shal of the RAF Lord Craig, 67: Don Cruickshank, direc-tor-general, Oftel, 54; Jennifer Dickson, artist and photographer. 60; Prof Sir John Hale, Renaissance scholar, 73: Angela Heylin, public relations director, 53: Sir Desmond Heap, authority on planning Law. 89: Chaim Rerzog. former president of Israel. 78: Damon Hill. racing driver, 36: Prof Park Honan, biographer, 68: Ursula Howells, actress, 74; Tessa Jowell, Labour MP, 49; Desmond Lynam. sports broadcaster. 54: Roddy McDowall. actor, 68: Brian Matthew, disc jockey. 68: Stirling Moss, racing driver. her MA Ed in 1983. 67: Dinah Sheridan, actress 76: Mary Stewart, historical novelist 80.

Putting gender on the schools agenda HE GIRLS who are to working for equality in education and equal opportu-today seizing their edu-cational opportunities 1975, began in the early 1980s volved in ensuring that equal-d excelling in all subjects. to use its formal investigatory ity was built into the and excelling in all subjects. including those traditionally associated with boys, owe much to the work of Lynda Carr, who has died from breast cancer aged 50. As head of the education department with the Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) between 1979 and 1989 she was responsible for much pioneering work. Born and brought up in moted to senior positions. Sheffield, Carr trained as a teacher and taught in London before moving back north.

Carr was responsible for a phenomenal programme of work during the 1980s, which For five years from 1973 she allowed the EOC to use its legal powers but also to work closely with educationists in worked in further and adult education in Stockton and Sheffield. She also studied for the development of good prac-tice and the promotion of a B Ed part-time and began a long association with Shef-field University, completing equal opportunities principles. She wrote widely on the subject and was a member of

of the toilet. Make sure he

knows where it is and uses it.

Her colleagues knew her as someone who brought great enthusiasm and commitment

followed by much coughing as

your lungs grope for air.

powers to seek out discrimi lopment of the Technical nation in the education sys-tem. These were the days and Educational Vocational Initiative (TVEI). EOC when gender stereotyping was rife; girls rarely studied sciences, other than biology. research this year concluded that this had been the most influential of all education for public examinations and reforms in promoting equality between girls and boys. boys rarely took commerce or home economics. There were few role models, as few ARR believed equal opwomen teachers were pro-

portunities in educa-tion was about giving every pupil the chance to achieve his or her potential. She recognised what many educationists are now focusing on, the importance of assessing where under-performance lay and putting in place strategies and targets to improve achievement. In 1989, the EOC, reviewing

its priorities, decided that life. She continued whenever much progress had been she could to sit as a JP but numerous advisory bodies, including the European Com-mission's working party on should move resources else her other love and commit-

where. The staffing of the | ment, chairing the Civic education department was reduced and Carr was moved to be Director of Employment. She responded with her characteristic effort and en-thusiasm but education was always her first love and abiding interest. She continued to be involved in external work with the Fawcett Society, Royal Society of Arts (UMIST) and through teaching. In 1990 she was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Letters by the University of Sheffield for her work on gender issues. It was characteristic of her

up on television as a mischie-

vous countess trying to lure

the butler away from his fam-

courage and persistence that she fought long and hard against the cancer that first appeared in 1985 and returned two years ago. Supported by her mother, Winifred, and her 14-year-old son, Joseph, she insisted on living a normal

Association in Buxton where she lived for the past 17 years. She was also helping EOC colleagues devise new strategies for work in schools as education has moved back up the EOC's agenda.

To her colleagues and friends Carr was a source of endless support, encouragement and inspiration. She was always down to earth and realistic in her approach to any task, including the need to persuade others of the importance of tackling gender equality at an early age. With characteristic Yorkshire gri she found simple solutions to seemingly impossible prob-lems. Sadly, for us all, she could not overcome the last and most difficult of all.

Val Feld Lynda Carr, educationist, born

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April 2, 1946; died August 28, 1996 eight stone, but he somehow clawed his way back to health.

Marie Gune Hospice, Cateriam, Sarrey on Bith September Much laved mother of Philip and Frances, she will be greatly missed and mourned by tamily and many inends. The juncrait service will be at Surry and Susses: Greatabrium, Worth near Cravies at 300 per on Thursday 199 September-which works have been he Sch bithdery Flowers to Trustove & Son, 187 Groydon Poat, Caterbarn or domaine to the Marie Curie Memorial Constants, Harestone Drive, Caterbarn. sive knowledge of the industry, and in 1990 he was recruited to be deputy editor of Screen International. Thirteen months later he became editor and presided over the magazine for the next three years. Moore was diagnosed with HIV in 1987 and in 1993 he developed full-blown Aids.

Hareestone Drive, Caterham, HARPER, Dena Phylia Considerin C S.E., petcoluty at home on Suptaintian 111 1996 Beloved write of the late Denis a dearly loved and loving mother and grate-mother The Functal Service will be held a The Edgar Newman Chapel, Katering Cri-matonum, on Friday September 2010 it 2.30pm No Rowers places, but 4 desired donators maybe sent to The Jane Autilian Memorial Trust, dio The Co-oparative Functal Service, Cromwall House, 988 London Road, Notoning Northensie MNIS 700 Tel: 01536 513123 Soon afterwards he began writing his monthly PWA column. He brought an un-flinching critical eye as well 700 Tel: 01536 513123 TALBOT. ALE B. Beary, on 2nd September allier suffering from center. Former National Bocutes member of the M-SUMT and a great hered to the treathing profession He was a lovely, generous and shope with such wiscom with bas greatly missed by everyone who knew hat. Done-bors, it desired to The Roy Castle Conse Foundation, 160 Old Hall Street. Liverpool L3 as an irrepressible sense of humour to his plight, completing a couple of dozen columns over a 34-month period. The only break was for three months, ironically when he felt too well rather than too ill - be was not comfortable with pontification and needed

WYLAM Eric Arthur (Rick), animator and artist, died 10th September, Sadiy mesed by children Anton and Maggle, Funand on 18th September al Enthem Cremelorup 4.00 pm, Flowers to be sent to Francis Chapter Leven Distances of the Section and omething to report. He loved writing the column and espe-cially appreciated the mail he Chapel Funeral 0181 852 2936

received, not only from Aids sufferers but also from other people in difficult circum-In Memoriam

MUNRO KERP Duncer. With the depose regret we announce the sudden death of the Jahr of August 1996 of Duncers Munt Netr A memorial service will be held if the Temple Church at Spm on Monday to 28th October 1996. stances who found his attitude inspirational Two years ago he nearly died when his weight feil to

To place your announcement is 0171 713 4567, Fax 0171 713 4129.

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AUTO: A device consisting of an aquarium pump and an oxy gen mask used to smoke cannabis. Bake Break: To take a break and go smoke a pipe. Bongology: The ancient art of waterpipe construction. Bucketit: Command issued by smoker to inhale the bucket bong. Clam bake: To smoke in a car with the windows up. Droned: To be both drunk and Electric lettuce: Potent cannabis Frazzled: To be under the in-

fluence of weed. Groper: A massive bong hit,

Indonesia: State of intoxica Next put something under the tion by marihuana. litter box to raise it, say, about lames Bong: The one person an inch. Get another box or phone book and raise it a little higher. Continue this process in a group who is the most or visibly stoned. KGB: Killer Green Bud. until the bottom of the litter Lem: To smoke up and go dibox is level with the top of the rectly to sleep. Muller: One who chops and toilet seat. You've been dilimixes cannabis. Nature hike: A long walk with no particular destination when stoned. PABACAB: Pack A Bowl And Catch A Buzz Roach Hotel: A collection of roaches to be recycled into new oints Wake n' Bake: To smoke upon waking. Zooed: To be extremely stoned. Extracts from the Internationa Stoner Slang Dictionary at www.warehouse.net/in books/slang.htm Loopy loo 2 THE very most important thing to remember is: Lid Up,

gently keeping the lid up and the seat down, of course, so by now your cat is thoroughly familiar with tromping around on the open toilet. Lift the seat on your toilet and measure the inside diameter of the top of the bowl at its widest point. Venture forth and buy a metal mixing bowl of that diameter Now you move the litter box over so that it's sitting directly over the toilet seat. Take away the stack of phone books or whatever. Here's the cool part. Take away the litter box en-tirely. (Ta da!) Nestle the metal mixing bowl inside the toilet bowl and lower the seat. Fill the bowl with about two inches of litter. Watch your cat using the bathroom in the metal

bowl. Count the number of feet Seat Down. Begin by moving he gets up on the toilet seat (as opposed to down in the bowl of litter) because next you have to the cat's current litter box from wherever it is to one side

teach him proper squatting posture. Catch him beginning to use the toilet as much of the time as possible and show him where his feet are supposed to

When he is regularly using the toilet with his front feet out begin lifting a hind foot out and placing it on the seat outside the front paws. Praise and/or treat. Repeat with the other hind foot, until your cat earns to balance in that squat The last bit is also the most unpleasant. Begin reducing the litter in the bowl. Go as fast as he'll feel comfortable with. because as the litter decreases the odour increases. You'll want to be home at this point so that you can praise him and dump out the contents of the bowl immediately after he's finished, to minimise both the smell and the possibility that your cat, in a confused attempt to minimise the smell on his own, tries to cover it up with litter that no longer exists and ends up tracking unpleasantness into the rest of the house. The next time you rinse out the metal bowl, put a little bit of water in the bottom. Increase the water level each time, just

as you decreased the litter level. Once the water in the mixing bowl is a couple of inches deep and your cat is comfortable with the whole thing, you get to perform the last bit of magic. Take the mix ing bowl away, leaving the bare toilet. (Lid Up, Seat Down.) Voila! Your cat is now toilet-trained.

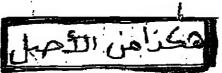
Treat your furry friend to toilet training during Cat's week. For more details go to unu sff.net/ people/karawynn/cat/toiletcat

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Offputting -GOLF is thoroughly hateworthy. For a start, let us look at its status as a sport. Is olympics yet, which puts it below volleyball. Perhaps they realise that what we are dealing with here is a pub game writ large, a kind of outdoor tiddlywinks. Actu-ally golf is destined to join the Olympics in 2004, but by that time even tiddlywinks will probably be a competitive event. Then there are the players. When it comes to

Arena . . . golf growi



Jehovah's Witnesses. At least world. I mean, how many "sports" get to have world-wide day against their very existence? Smoking, Aids, child-molesting, abuse of women, they all get their 24 hours of concern, but sport? Well, golf does, run by the Global Anti-Golf Movement which brings you an annual World No Golf Day around your weekend with their talk of birdies and bunkers. The April or May. Even in Japan Why? Because unlike any other game you can think of golf massively despoils the environment, and ruins lives into the bargain. It is the

most rapacious of leisure ac-tivities, demanding exces-sive land, water, herbicides and cheap labour. Rob Ryan, slightly teed off at the growing menace of the fair way fiends in Arena.

Life on Mars

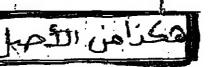
DOES Mars have Life? "Of course," says First Martian Scott Taggart, 33, the mayor of Mars, Pa. "for those that live here." But the town's 1,700 residents are not exactly over the moon about Nasa's startling announcement that some dots on a rock found in

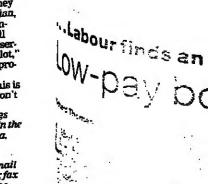
scopic fossils on a meteor from Mars — and the first ever signs of life beyond our planet. "We have the original Martians," declares Larry Cooper, 44, a third-gradeteacher at Mars Elementary School. Adds a wounded Mayor Taggart, "Nasa hasn't approached me, and I've been wanting to give them sample of our rocks to see what they could find." Being a Martian, of course, can bring misun-derstandings. "When I call Europe to make a hotel reser, vation, I get hung up on a lot," says Jim Lascher, 44, the proprietor of Mars Travel "I have a habit of saying, 'This is Jim from Mars...' but I don't get the travel part out." Muniblings and grumblings from the original greenles in the town of Mars. Pennsylvania. reported in People.

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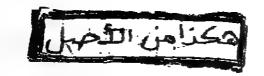






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Opportunities created by single currency 'greater than the risks' even if UK opts out Notebook



. Traders at the London International Financial Futures Exchange which yesterday sealed a merger with the London Commodity Exchange

Eddie upbeat over EMU

Scherd Thomas conomics Correspondent

HE City is poised o reap the rewards of European mone-

tary union even if Britain opts out of a

Single currency, the Bank of England said yesterday. Unveiling an upbeat Bank report on the progress made by financial institutions and markets towards January I 1999, Governor Eddle George said London was fully geared up to exploit a single up to exploit a single systems, legal requirement currency. and the development of the

There are potential risks European Monetary Institute. as well as opportunities for the embryonic Europ

He added that, because Lon-don had more qualified finan-cial, legal, technical and ac-countancy experts, it should take the lead in preparing the ground. But the Bank warned Britain's continental partners against immediang penalties on about it's currency was worsening faelled by high unemployment in many continental countries - he said there was growing awareness that monetary union was

He said financiers were rec against imposing penalties on against imposing pertainers out countries which remain out-side the euro, which could damage the City's going to ognising the strong political competitiveness. Mr George said that putting restrictions on access to the

European computerised realtime settlement system, Tar-get, would be against the spirit of European cooperation. In its second report on tech-

be 'yes' by 1999



Geared up ... Bank of England governor Eddie George

Blair makes pitch to the doubters



Alex Brummer

economy six months before an election campaign, it's as

well to look for the underly-ing political message. And,

stripped of the usual homage

to macro-economic stability and the recantation of Labour's tax and spend past,

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the operation of the payments system Target. Some EU members believe that opera-tions by the Bank in daylight hours, so called intraday transactions, would give the Bank a measure of say over their internal monetary policy. The Governor disagrees. The only time there could be a problem is at the end of the trading day when there might be spillover and this could be dealt with by penal interest rates, he argues. His is an entirely accept-

Opposition make speeches about the able argument. Except that, post-spring 1998, if the UK is still an "out" we will not be part of the European central banking system and therefore will be disenfranchised from this process. Indeed, the likelihood is that monetary union will gradually cut the "outs" adrift which must work to the UK's disadvantage.

the message from Tony Blair's lecture to Liffe last night was simple: You'll be better off under Labour. The strategy is sensible for two reasons. First, Labour needs to say something to

counter the obvious evidence that the feelgood factor is on its way back. All the signs are that the Government will have a good story to tell about the econo-

my over the next six months - robust growth, falling unemployment, low inflation and it is in Mr Blair's interests to plant seeds of doubt in the electorate's mind. Second, Labour strategists believe that the main positive

thrust of the party's economic programme over the first four years of this parliament that investment is the key to long-term economic recovery - is too nebulous to have popular appeal.

The evidence of the pa four elections is that Mr Blair's advisers are right. Four terms of Conservative rule have not been based on investment-led growth but on tax cuts and the promise of real income growth. Voters may not believe Labour when The monstary authorities | Bank will not be "sound" in London have picked up | enough on inflation. The it says efficiency and higher productivity will lead to higher prosperity all round, but it may just be enough to make them willing to break the habit of the past 20 years and give the Opposition the benefit of the doubt.

Open skies F British Airways' alliance with American Airlines is ever to be consu-mated then it will require a sea change in official think-ing. Over the decades, the Government has been so protective of Heathrow's position as Europe's premier airport and the need to preserve the interests of the UK's flag car-rier BA. in the face of marauding US airlines, that it has in effect ditched all the free and open markst rhetoric which characterises every other aspect of commercial

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the City," he said. "But I have tral bank. A draft of the legal no doubt that so long as we framework for a suro will be are prepared - and we will discussed at the informal meeting of European finance be --- the opportunities will be greater than the risks, ministers in Dublin this weekend. "We are increasingly confiwhether we are in or out." Even if Britain remains an

outsider, he said investors would find the City attractive, dent the City will be ready." he said. He said the Bank had given the level of financial exinitiated a new working pertise so long as EMU memgroup on the future of government debt markets if EMU bers did not penalise non-participants. "Our strengths are massive," he said. Citing the goes ahead, and is even discussing how the euro will be "rounded" to other currenrecent moves into London by Deutsche and Dresdner, he cies in large transactions. Mr George said the Bank was giving a high profile to these "intensely" technical issues in order to inform the debate about EMU membersaid: "Why do you think these people are coming here? They must assume the odds are EMU will go ahead and that

inevitable

we will be outside - but they are still coming." Although Mr George ship. "We need to ensure that the private sector is well up to warned that the broader eco-

the game in preparing for the nomic backdrop to a single euro," he said.

nical aspects of progress to EMU. the Bank said: "Any attempt to introduce differen tial terms for 'outs' compared with 'ins' would be discriminatory and be likely to contravene both the single market legislation and competition

Although EU members have agreed that the "out" countries will have access to the Target system, there are concerns that they could distort the euro money supply, by borrowing or lending heavily — and effect a Eurowide monetary policy.

Some continental finance ministers have therefore called for a punitive rate on credit for outsiders. But the Bank insisted yesterday that any distortions would be "negligible" and did not jus-tify punitive rates on credit.

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Pollic may have widely differing views. about the likelihood of **Europe's single currency** project ever going ahead, but the financial markets have no such doubts.

1999, or shortly thereafter. Germany and France have different levels of in-Treasury officials, too, are working on the same flation, but long bond rates in both are identical. Dealassumption. A series of po-sition papers — Britain in, Britain out, Britain sitting ers believe that the franc and the mark will soon be subsumed into the Euro, on the sidelines and muliand that gut feeling is being years - are grinding through the Great George priced into the markets. Street mill.

The political message from Bonn and Paris is that the prime movers will go to virtually any lengths to ensure the single currency does not founder.

the vibes. Yesterday's Bank Bundesbank thinks the of England document on the practical questions arising from BMU may have been for City train-spotters only, but it ECB statutes are actually more hawkish on price stability than its own famously rigid terms of refer-ence, British sources say. It is true that the Gerreflected the growing belief in Threadneedle Street that the project will go ahead in mans are tub-thumping

around Europe, saying that there will be no relaxation in the entry terms and that the stability pact for singlecurrency members will not

Kinkel was at it again, yesing it over for a couple of terday, in advance of a years — are grinding meeting between German and French officials to discuss the preparations for a single currency. But he was Senior officials remain unimpressed by arguments that the Bundesbank will really saying that EMU would only go ahead once all the testhing problems scupper the project because

in the morning, as investors

reacted to news that the com-pany had postponed meetings

with domestic and London

based analysts and investors.

originally set for yesterday and today.

the new European Central had been attended to.

On the day a survey finds the £329.32 an hour directors . . . Top bosses take 12.6pc rise

Seumas Milne Labour Ecstor

pay - rose by an average 7.1 per cent to £448,801. while HE annual rise in top company directors' pay has accelerated this

£147,019 last year. year to 12.6 per cent, taking the average total package to £684.671, according to research published today by the employment consultancy Incomes Data Services. The increase last year was 9.1 per cent and in 1994 it was

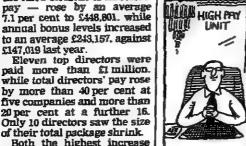
five companies and more than 20 per cent at a further 16. Only 10 directors saw the size of their total package shrink. Both the highest increase 22.2 per cent, IDS found after

The IDS analysis shows that

basic salary plus benefits the fixed element of directors'

analysing annual reports of 96 of the top 100 companies and the largest cash package were paid to the top-carning quoted on the stock market. director at BSkyB - Sam Chisholm, the chief executive In July the annual increase in earnings for the whole

workforce was 3.8 per cent the level it has been for the past six months



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The increase was excluded from the average because of its distorting effect. set top directors' pay."

Magistrates say **Olivetti chief is** The IDS report notes that only 31 of the top 100 quoted companies followed the ad-vice of the Greenbury com-mittee on executive pay, to under suspicion

reduce employment contracts John Glever in Milan

to one year. The study found that in -RANCESCO Caio, Olisome respects the level of openness about directors' pay in company reports has been vetti's embattled managing director, has been formally placed under inves-John Monks, the TUC gen-eral secretary, said: "Top bosses are giving themselves tigation by magistrates in Iv-

rea, Olivetti's home town, on suspicion of publishing false company information. Citing judicial sources, the

pay rises over four times the rate of inflation while their employees are having to settle for just 3.8 per cent. "Fat cat greed should be muched by involving employee Italian news agency AGI reported that other members of the company's board were curbed by involving employee understood also to be the subjects of an investigation representatives on the remuneration committees which begun by magistrates last æek

The move follows a ninehour interrogation on satur-day of Renzo Francesconi, the company's former gencompany's former general manager, by the lyrea in-

vestigators. Mr Francesconi resigned after alleging that the in-terim results Olivetti issued on September 3, which showed losses of 440 billion lice (£191 million), understated the company's real

OSSES Yesterday Olivetti shares were suspended four times after breaching a rule that limits price variations to 10 per cent. The final price registered was 515 lire, a fall of just under 10 per cent on Friday's closing price (you can now buy three Olivetti shares for the price of a cup of espresso colfee).

The wave of selling began

Eddle's show

'in" or "out" of the system.

NY suggestion that the Bank of England is somehow failing in its duty to provide leadership to the City during the change-over to the euro should be dispelled by Eddie George's autumn offensive. Mr George may have some reservations

be watered down. Foreign minister Klaus about the economics of mone tary union but he is sensible enough to understand the political imperative and recognise there are opportunities for his financial constituency

open skies agreement reached between Washington and Bonn. Similar deals have sprung up across Europe.

Against this background the UK government is behav-ing in a precious way. Sure there are risks in opening up Heathrow to the US carriers, but no more than opening up the City of London to Ameri can investment banks.

In fact. US carriers, having been through the experience of deregulation on their domestic market, have plenty of lessons to teach in terms of computer reservation systems and the value of differ-ential and discount pricing. Deregulation in the US produced a relentless downward drive in prices to the consumer and there is no reason to suspect that because of sheer size, American/BA could not effect something similar on North Atlantic

Just in case the next gov-erament should contemplate routes. going in, the Governor be-lieves that the UK's failure to The price review and fixing procedures in Bermuda II. rejoin the ERM offers no legal bar, despite Maastricht, be-cause the pound's divergence which governs Anglo American air relations, are out dated. If a pricing problem defrom currencies inside the system has been within the velops it should not be beyond the capability of the CAA,

prescribed limits. Where Mr George starts to become slightly unstuck is on the more technical issue of law is there for.

Mad cow crisis makes food group Dalgety less bullish

"The company's failure to Reper Cours

clear up its numbers is the real surprise and disappoint-THE BSE "mad cow" crisis cost food group Dalgety £15 million last year in writ-ing off products which could ment," said Alberto Rolla, an analyst at Pastin, a Milan securities house. The shares, which had alnot be exported. The group's ready lost 5 per cent, plunged

more than 10 per cent and were suspended when sales continue to be hurt by the ban on exports of beef reports arrived that Mr Caio products, as well as by farmwas under investigation. ers' economy measures "It's another heavy blow Chief executive Richard

which makes the crists of Clothier said the BSE scare confidence in a company had hit most of its businesses. that's already hard-pressed more acute," said Piero He said the effect was continu-ing in what would be a tough Serra, one of the trade unionfirst six months of the current ists who was meeting with year, but he expected sales for Mr Caio yesterday morning the 12 months to be ahead of

last year. Sales from continuing busiwhen news of the investigation became public. The unions are concerned about the risk of job losses as Mr Caio and his team struggle to get Olivetti back nesses slipped last year from £4.6 billion to £4.2 billion. Petfood exports were halved and are still below pre-vious levels. Mr Clothier said on track. "The meeting went badly.

Caio basn't dispelled any of our doubts. All the worries we had at the beginning were reconfirmed," said one trade unionist after the meeting,

Analysts fear that the company is looking increasingly rudderless. "Caio has failed to impose himself," said one in Milan yesterday.

lays in obtaining certificates which will allow exports to begin again. Certificates for Italy are still delayed. "It's been a very long process", Mr

Clothier said. Dalgety's food ingredients division was hit as continental buyers stopped purchasing seasoning and flavourings including beef products. Sales

are recovering as consumers substitute products such as chicken dishes for burgers and Sausaers.

In the agribusiness division, sales were hit as farmers economised by cutting purchases of cattle feed. Sales were down by a fifth.

Pre-tax profit fell from £94 million to £90 million as other troubles added to the company's BSE woes.

Petfood products in Holland were contaminated, requiring the temporary closure of a products have been reformu-lated but there have been defactory costing a further £5 million.

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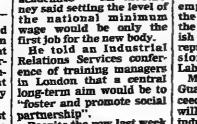
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ABOUR's proposed Low Pay Commission will be a permanent vehicle for social partnership" under a Blair govern-ment, shadow employment minister Ian McCartney

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promised yesterday. Outlining for the first time the key tasks of the commission - which will include employers, trade the minimum wage. Mr stressed that firms should and employers and McCartney insisted that actively participate in the covered."



partnership". Despite the row last week at the TUC over the level of

employers were backing the commission. Last week, the Confederation of British Industry agreed to be represented on the commission in the event of a Labour election victory. Mr McCartney told the Guardian: "For us to suc-ceed, we need a body which will be seen by both sides of industry as an ald."

At the IRS meeting, he

wage, other minimum stan-dards, health and safety regulation and the boosting of competitiveness.

"Nothing will be imposed on industry," he said. "The Labour government will involve employers in establishing the minimum wage.

We will reach a negotiated settlement that will be underpinned by legal protection for those employees

and employers who are

Labour finds an alternative to the TUC's £4.26 minimum Low-pay body to be permanent academics - Mr McCart- | union leaders and leading | setting of the minimum ney said setting the level of | employers were backing | wage, other minimum stan-

reduced since last year.

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Crandall threatens to 'deal with somebody else' as airlines reach impasse • EU fears abuse of market position

'Open skies' darken over BA merger



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Now or never . . . American Airlines' Robert Crandall

Lise Buckingham

HE on-off takeover saga

of the exhibitions group Blenheim was revived

vesterday when it emerged that the Anglo-Dutch media

group Reed Elsevier has

renewed its predatory inter-

Blenheim — which walked away from takeover talks

with United News & Media a

fortnight ago - said it had received another bld ap-

proach "at a level the board

had previously rejected". It is understood that Blen-

helm, which is 25 per cent

controlled by its manage-ment, was demanding a

2500 million price tag — too rich for either United or Reed

Keith Harper Transport Editor of its financial position while others, such as Lufthansa and KLML have already signed up HE chairman of with other American airlines. Mr Crandall made it clear American Airlines. **Robert Crandall** that an open-skies agreement threatened to pull was essential before the BA out of the proposed

alliance — which would give the airlines a dominant posialliance with British Airways esterday if talks between the tion on the lucrative North is and Britain on a new Atlantic routes - could go open skies" agreement beahead. tween the two countries went Negotiations between the on for much longer. Mr Crandall, who arrived

two countries have become bogged down in discussions in Britain for a series of top-level meetings with BA and ministers, told the Guardian over the US demand for greater access to slots at Heathrow, while British negohat the talks would have to be finalised before the end of trators want BA and other dothe year. He warned the Gov-ernment that if they fail. American Airlines "will do a mestic carriers to have the right to fly on from the point of entry to other destinations in America

leal with somebody else The problem for AA is that there is no obvious alternative candidate. Of the large

carriers. AA appears to have that American pilots would be employing more staff. At rejected Air France because never agree to British carriers being allowed onward actess in the US because of the threat it posed to American jobs. He also stressed that the US government is strenuously resisting pressure from the British for a regulatory body to stamp out potentially anti-competitive practices. The Transport Secretary.

Str George Young, has pro-posed an industry watchdog which could act immediately to stop fare increases which might threaten a competitor. But Mr Crandall said the Americans argued that "market forces" would ensure fair.

Kinnock issues staff over a £1 billion rationalisation scheme which will inevitably lead to redundancies. BA last night said it agreed with Mr Crandall's assess ment of the future. Senior ex-

pulsory redundancies.

ecutives are meeting national Julie Wolf in Brussels

union leaders tonight to present a broad picture of how the EIL Kinnock, the company hopes to make sav-European Union's transport commisings, but there will be no comsioner, is considering or-An alliance between the dering an investigation into whether air fares on two airlines would lead to a some European routes remain excessively high de-spite airline liberalisation. The plain fact is that the fully flexible fare between the main airports of Europe

remains a pretty expensive commodity." Mr Kinnock said yesterday.

"On some routes our

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liberalisation, which is due to be completed next April, produces greater compet-tion and benefits for consumers.

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Mr Kinnock said that, al-though there were more low fares to be found in Europe, travel restrictions and discounting caused

confusion and difficulties. He praised new independent carriers such as Virgin Express Europe, Air Li-berté and BasyJet for offering "no frills" low fares with few or no restric-

The Commission also wanted to promote competition by improving access Mr Kinnock said high to landing slots for airlines which are seeking to chalfares might also be looked at under EU competition rules that forbid abuse of lenge established carriers, and was examining differ-ences in member countries dominant market position. The Commission is in charge of ensuring that airport charges, Mr Kin-Europe's gradual airline nock said.

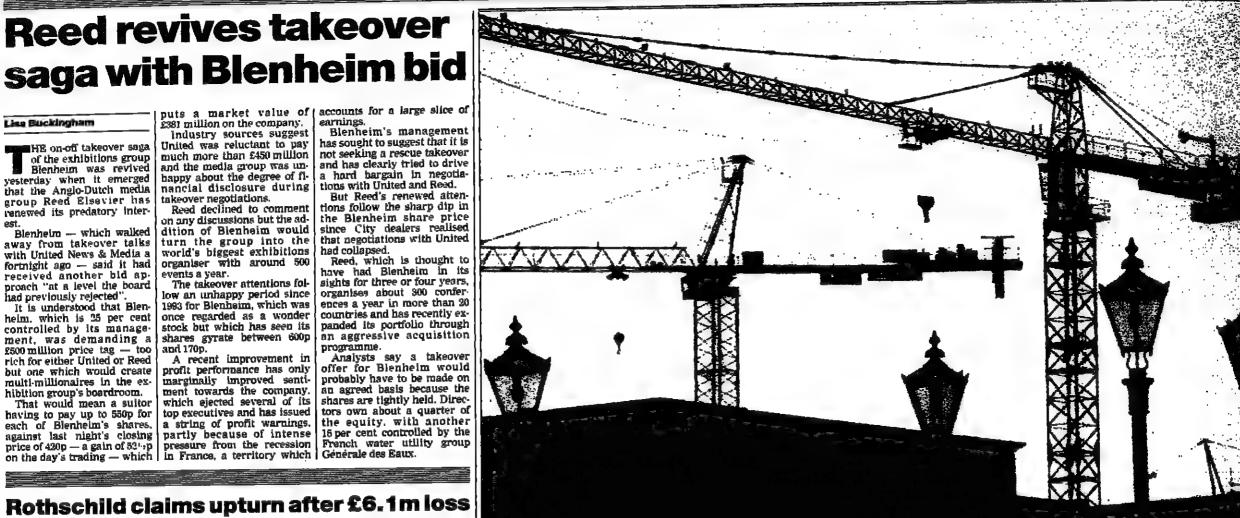
air fares warning analysis shows that fully flexible fares are signifi-

cantly higher than can be instified by costs. "Because of that. I have to consider the possibility of the Commission examining these fares under the excessive pricing provi-sions [of EU liberalisation lans

competition was healthy and Mr Crandall said that AA and BA would derive considerable benefit from the deal. BA's chief executive. Bob Ayl-ing, had told him that within five years the company would vital extra parts.

review of common issues, including pilot training. cockpit size and the use of equipment Mr Crandall did not envisage that the airlines would agree a joint strategy on new aircraft, but as the largest user of Rolls Royce engines outside the UK. he said there was a case for both airlines to carry

Mr Crandall, who said he was neutral about a deal being agreed, made it clear **Reed revives takeover**



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but one which would create marginally improved sentimulti-millionaires in the exment towards the company. hibition group's boardroom. which ejected several of its That would mean a sultor top executives and has issued having to pay up to 550p for a string of profit warnings. partly because of intense each of Blenhelm's shares. against last night's closing sure from the recession price of 420p — a gain of 521-p on the day's trading — which in France, a territory which

a hard bargain in negotia-tions with United and Reed. happy about the degree of fl-nancial disclosure during But Reed's renewed attentakeover negotiations. tions follow the sharp dip in Reed declined to comment the Blenheim share price on any discussions but the ad-dition of Blenheim would since City dealers realised that negotiations with United turn the group into the world's biggest exhibitions had collapsed. Reed, which is thought to organiser with around 500

events a year. The takeover attentions follow an unhappy period since 1993 for Blenheim, which was once regarded as a wonder stock but which has seen its shares gyrate between 600p and 170p A recent improvement in

east million on the company. Industry sources suggest

United was reluctant to pay much more than £450 million

and the media group was un-

have had Blenheim in its sights for three or four years, organises about 300 conferences a year in more than 20 countries and has recently expanded its portfolio through an aggressive acquisition programme. Analysts say a takeover offer for Blenheim would profit performance has only

probably have to be made on an agreed basis because the shares are tightly held. Directors own about a quarter of the equity, with another 15 per cent controlled by the French water utility group Générale des Eaux.

Rothschild claims upturn after £6.1m loss

Dominic Walsh

ous year, related to systems and information technology RESTRUCTURING costs development costs, as well as severance payments. Trading

ened from £471,000 the previ- | end, the spokesman said. "There has been a complete turnaround." News of the improvements come as confirmation that

Management, the fund man- losses accounted for the remainder. agement arm of merchant bank NM Rothschild, to pre-tax losses of £6.1 million for the year to March 31 - the first set of figures since the suicide in July of its chairman, Amschel Rothschild.

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tered in Holland. The benefits man of RAM would be appointed. Chief executive Peter A spokesman for the group said that about half of the ready showing, with a return Troughton is in charge of day to-day running of the group. RAM London loss, which wid- to the black since the year-

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Amschel Rothschild's suicide was not linked to the business. where profits had suf-

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Back to the future . . . Cranes dominate the skyline of Birmingham city centre, where the process of urban renewal in England's second city is seeing PHOTOGRAPH: NEWSTEAN the re-introduction of old fashioned gas lamps

Textbook business turns knowledge into profits

OUTLOOK/Dorling Kindersley has so far avoided many pitfalls of high-growth UK firms, reports ROGER COWE

HERE is a classic model | has already overcome that | allow the user to "fly" down followed by many high-growth British compaparticular stumbling block of the inside of a spine.

nies which Dorling Kindersley would do well to avoid. First there is the rapid growth from an entrepreneur ial start-up, usually in retail ing or technology. The company becomes a stock market darling after the directors cash in on their early success and raise extra funds from the City to finance expansion.

terday the company reported sales last year of £174 million.

A global philosophy has fu-elled its expansion — the UK accounted for only 27 per cent of sales last year. Almost half the sales came from the US. up from £5 million in 1992 to £58 million — so the group

many UK companies. DK has also been quick to but that does not necessarily mean the profits will be, as DK admitted yesterday. move into the electronic age. with some £21 million of sales coming from its Multimedia division. This is the new Multimedia managing director, Alan Buckingham, said media of CD-ROM, which turns a suitably equipped per-ls the cool place to be. But the is the cool place to be. But the jury is still out on the ques-tion of, if it works, how on-line publishing is going to work. There is a swirling dust-storm of hype which needs to settle before we can sonal computer into a form of interactive television, allowing children, for instance, to explore the images which previously only threatened to tump out of the page. Illustrating the potential of this technology, the latest ver-sion of DK's human body CDpany is using the Web site

ROM, developed for Intel's latest MMX processor, will mainly as a marketing tool, to help sell its CD-ROM and other products. Some help is needed. Chair-man and chief executive (and Darling Kindersley

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founder) Peter Kindersley said yesterday that the US retail market for CD-Roms is Stock market value 5382m very tough. Wholesalers and retailers are awash with Share price 545p & 13 1/2p titles, some not very good, many at cut prices. A shakeout is necessary, he thinks, before the quality publishers can get their products to con-Interest cover in Street and A 3 %

umers at sensible prices. He believes DK can leapfrog that process to some extent through its "party plan" directselling network, which is getting its name known in the CD-ROM field. 26 37 31

But perhaps this is also an example of a small British company needing a big US partner with the necessary muscle to get its products on the shelves. At least DK has the back-up

see the answer.

In the meantime, the com-

of a profitable conventional builtshing business with a well-established, if not im-pregnable, position in books. And the comfort of both cash One day, perhaps, it will be subsumed in some media conglomerate but probably not for a while. Other



News in brief

Autumn glory on way for housing market THE housing market is on course for its strongest autumn for

eight years, chartered surveyors say today. Basing its buoyant outlook on the latest snapshot of activity

at estate agents, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors says the recovery is "definitely here to stay".

Although house-buying traditionally eases off over the sum mer months, the RICS survey shows "an unusually vigorous" period for the property market throughout August, reflected in the price rises reported by leading mortgage lenders last month.

London, the South-east, the South-west and East Anglia saw the highest number of chartered surveyors reporting house price increases. In London, 84 per cent reported rising prices RICS predicts the number of people trapped by negative equity will fall to between 100,000 and 150,000 in the next 12 months. Earlier this year the number of people affected was estimated to be as high as 1.7 million. — Sarah Ryle

Italian rail chief arrested

LORENZO Necci, chairman of Italy's state railway, was arrested at his home north of Rome yesterday after public prosecutors in La Spezia, near Genoa, pressed criminal charges. Mr Necci, 57. is being investigated for racketeering, em

ment. corruption, abuse of office, fraud, balance sheet fraud and money laundering, Italian television reported. Also arrested was Pacini Battaglia, a financier, Mr Battaglia's secretary Eliana Pensieroso; and industrialist Emo Danesi. Mr Battaglia and Mr Danesi are reported to be suspected of having organised a racket involving railway employees and employees of Eni, the state energy company, to siphon funds. — Bloomberg

Newton fights Imro fine

FUND manager Newton Investment Management is to challenge a six-figure fine from City watchdog Imro relating to irregularities in its pension fund business.

Newton chief executive. Roger Butler, said yesterday that its failure to pay stock purchases on time was a "technical breach" which did not warrant a heavy penalty. Butler stressed that at no time had clients' funds been under

risk, adding that investors had already received compensation-Imro declined to comment. -- Richard Miles

Granada to sell more hotels

GRANADA, which is hoping to announce a buyer for its £1 billion package of Forte Exclusive hotels within the pext three months, has quietly put a further 22 hotels up for sale for £50 million.

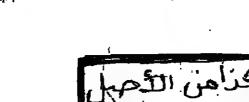
Property agent Christie & Co has been appointed to find a buyer for a package of hotels that do not fit into the group's buyer for a package of hotels that do not fit into the group's branding structure. They are mainly Forte Heritage properties, though one or two older Posthouses are also included. The biggest is the unbranded 184-bedroom Coventry Hill Hotel in Coventry. for which Granada is said to be seeking 56 million. At least 30 bids are still being considered for the Forte Exclu-sive sell-off, of which two or three are for the entire 17-hotel strong group. Marriott, the US hotel and catering group, is thought to be among them. Granada launched the Exclusive sell-off in May to

among them. Granada launched the Exclusive sell-off in May to recoup some of the £3.9 billion it paid for the Forte botel and restaurant empire in January. -- Dominic Walsh

.99 All goes well until the expansionary enthusiasm takes the company to the US. There INC. VAT the market is tough. the company name is unknown, profit margins are slim and the cost of doing business is high. This leads to the collapse of • FREE LINE REDITAL- for 2 months worth £35.26 inc. VAT enthusiasm, share price, and sometimes the company — think of Sock Shop. DK has certainly done the high-growth bit. The publish-FREE ACCESSORIES - IN-Car adaptor and leather case ing group began in 1974 with together worth £49.98 inc. VAT the idea of brightening up hobby books (photography, • LATEST PHILIPS - the slimmest wine, gardening etc) with high-class design and producphone in its class tion. The house style of white ONE SECOND BILLING - you backgrounds, clean typefaces, lots of colourful pictures and diagrams, now adorns a vast range of adult and children's only pay for the airtime you use Sales BEST COVERAGE - with digital non-fiction. By 1993, when the company call clarity and security floated on the stock market, sales had reached £70 million with pre-tax profits of \$7.5 million. But despite some hiccups. and temporary liaisons, first with Reader's Digest and then Microsoft, sales and profits have continued to rise — yes-Cellphones

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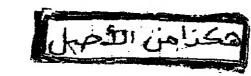
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DAMON HILL goes

Villeneuve will need a top-three place to the final race at Sutober 13. If that haplist of championship close calls (below) his career.

the opening race of the season in Melbourne. For the past six years every driver who has won gone on to win the championship, and after winning in Australia Hill said: "It is a tradition I don't intend to break."

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AWTHORN's Ferrari had only to finish second behind Stirling

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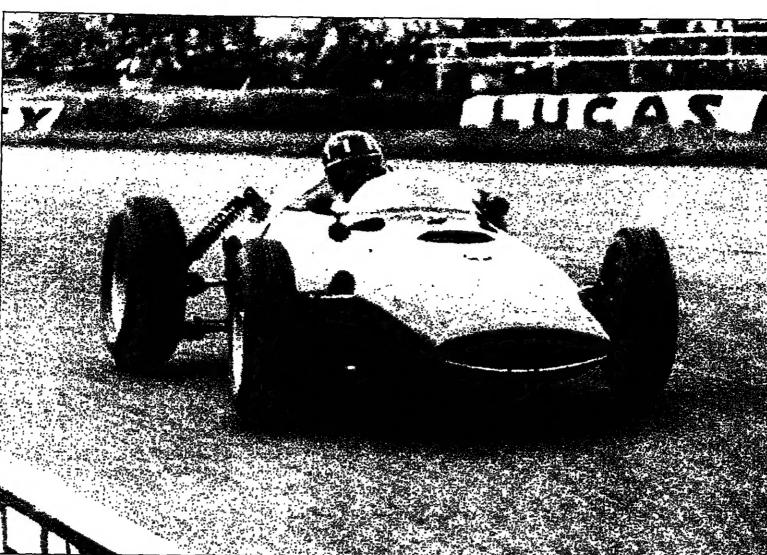
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..... Can the Briton beat Villeneuve to the world title on Sunday or will this season be the eighth to go to the wire? Alan Henry reports

Hill faces the hard road to glory set to change the whip rule

into Sunday's Portuguese Grand Prix at Estoril knowing that, with his 13-point lead over his Williams team-mate Jacques Villeneuve, he can make certain of the world title simply by finishing the race ahead of the French-Canadian. Even if Hill does not finish, take the title battle to zuka in Japan on Ocpens, Hill will join the for the second time in

The Briton has led the points table since the opening race has



DAMON's father Graham saved the BRM team in 1962. for at the start of the season their owner, Sir Alfred Owen, had vowed to withdraw from racing unless they won at least two grands prix. Hill obliged by winning the Dutch, German and Italian rounds, and went into the final race of the championship in South Africa having to

1976

prevent his arch-rival Jim Clark from winning, Clark dominated from the start with Hill in hot pursuit, but an oil leak caused the Scot's retirement and let Hill clinch BRM's sole world championship. For Hill it was the payoff for three years of persistence with the British team. Final polate: 1, Graham Hill. 42; 2, Jim Clark, 30; 3. Bruce McLaren, 27

1994

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Racing

mit, who retains his high rat-

ing despite running poorly in Ireland. He has been given the bene-

Incidentally, Timeform rate

the Arc favourite Helissio at 138p (the p denoting likely im-

provement) while their top three-year-old in Europe is

the Irish Derby winner Za-

greb at 130p. Zagreb has not run since murdering the opposition. which included Dushyantor.

at The Curragh in July and Dermot Weld would like some

give in the ground for the

Polaris Flight was beaten

six lengths in second behind Zagreb in Ireland and fin-

ished eight of nine behind He-

lissio on Sunday. Taking a lit-eral line is fraught with dangers but for the record be

was beaten 11% lengths by

Dushyantor's defeat on Sat-

Arc

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Chris Hawkins

handicapper Chris Williams. "But he wasn't ridden by Frankie Dettori then for HE Jockey Club will whom he's done nothing look again at the regula-tions which resulted in Frankie Dettori and Pat Ed-dery receiving whip-bans after Saturday's epic St Leger finish wrong and you certainly can't crab bim any more." Following his Leger victory he has been raised to a rating of 124 which is 11b above Du-shyantor but 51b below Shaa-mit who mtaine his high art finish.

finish. Realising that the race gen-erated all the wrong kind of publicity. Malcolm Wallace. director of regulations, has conceded that the rule may read a "tweak" need a "tweak "

fit of the doubt after that effort in an unsatisfactory. slowly run race although he still did not appear to quicken much when seeing belated daylight. Shaamit looks more likely to contest the Arc than the Champion States and The particular rule will be examined and a report sub-mitted to the disciplinary committee's November meeting. David Pipe, the Jockey the Champion Stakes and Hill's have cut him from 20-1 to 16-1 for Longchamp.

Club's director of public af-fairs said: "The regulatioin was brought in for three purposes: To stop the abuse of horses; to satisfy the public that something was being done about possible abuse; to encourage jockeys to use the whip less.

"We feel that the first and third objectives have been achieved but because the whole matter has received so much publicity this has become an issue in itself. It looks as if some adjustment will have to be made."

This is excellent news provided the adjustment does not mean more severe penalties such as the disqualification of horse

horses. As a result of his game St Leger victory, Shantou has not surprisingly had the dreaded Timeform "squiggle" deleted from his rating. The squiggle is supposed to

urday was not a surprise to those who doubted the ability represent, at least in the eyes of Sadler's Wells to get threeof Timeform, a horse that is year-olds who genuinely stay more than a mile and a half. unreliable or ungenuine. Shantou picked-up the tag when second and looking A fire at Jim Old's stable on Sunday night killed three horses. Four fire engines none too keen to pass Royal Court at Haydock in July. fought a blaze in a barn hous-"We didn't think he wanted

"We didn't think he wanted to go past the winner that day," explained Timeform's bary Castle in Wiltshire.

Godolphin team can double up with Bint Shadayid and Fatefully

SAEED bin Suroor was | little unlucky when third to Spushed off the top of the | Wandering Star at San-Senna's death Damon Hill gradually hauled back up on to Michael Schumacher's tail, trainers' table last week but, seemingly seized with though he was beloed by the fact that the Benetton driver the spirit of competition, runs Bint Shadayid, third in the 1,000 Guineas, at Yarmouth today in an effort to close with Benry Cecil, unues Chris Hawkins. races and suspended from two

down last time. The Godolphin stable is also represented at Sandown this afternoon with Fatefully (4.30) in the Sur-

She was off the course for seven weeks before failing

John Surtees Graham Hill HIS championship came down to a hair raising three-way battle between Su tees, Graham Hill and Jim Clark going into the final race in Mexico City. Clark again dominated but the Lotus broke down on the final lap. The title fleetingly fell into Hill's hands, despite damage to the BRM's exhaust pipes

1962

1964

Graham Hill

AFTER Jim Clark's death in a minor-league Formula Two race on the Hockenheim circuit, Graham Hill was left to restore the shattered Lotus team's morale. He went into the final race in precisely the same mathematical situation as in 1962 and again it was a Scot, Jackie Stewart.

1968

tive title with a succession of dominant victories in the first half of the season. James Hunt gradually got into his stride with the McLaren, then Lauda suffered horrific burns when his Ferrari crashed in

1986 **James Hunt** Alain Prost NIGEL MANSELL should have won, Nelson Pi-THE most famous finish of all. Niki Lauda looked set to clinch his second consecuquet almost did, but in the

Prix. H

N THE wake of Ayrton end Alain Prost retained his title as the two Williams-Honda drivers dropped the ball in the final was disqualified from two race. With 18 laps to go Mansell, running a strong third, had the world chammore. It all came down to the final race in Adelaide, where

	into second place and he clinched the title by a single point. Hawthorn retired from racing, but did not live long to relish his success. The following January he was killed when his Jaguar skated off the Guildford by- pass and hit a tree. Final pointse 1, Miks Hawtorn, 42: 2. Sitting Moss. 41: 3, Tony Brocks, 24. Caused when Surtes rari taam-mate Lorr dini tried to outbrai a hairpin and spun off the circuit, but t dini dropped back t Surtees on the final the former motorcy point. Final pointse 1, Miks Hawtorn, 42: 2. Sitting Moss. 41: 3, Tony Brocks, 24.	title if the Matra driver could win the final race in the Briton hen Ban- ehind lap and the by a by a by a could win the final race in Mexico City. Still echoing the 1962 story, Stewart led final race of the year in Japan. Lauda withdrew from that rain-soaked event and Hunt scrambled back to third place after a late puncture, taking the championship.	 Adelaide circuit's Brahham straight. Piquet moved ahead but was called in for a tyre check; that allowed Prost through to win and become the first driver to retain the title since Jack Brahham in 1959 and 1960. German's favour after the two men were involved in a controversial collision, allow- ing Nigel Mansell through to win the race eight years after this own initial title hopes were so spectacularly thwarted. 	her Guineas run, but fin- ished second in a Group Three race at Deauville last month, only to be demoted to third, after causing interference. She should find today's company a little easier, but Cecil runs two in the shape of Sardonic and Yamuna,
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Soccer

Arsenal get **Wenger but** still suffer

Martin Thorpe

OOTBALL's worstkept secret was finally confirmed yesterday when it was formally announced that Arsène Wenger is Arsenal's new manager. He will arrive on September 30.

However, Arsenal might still be in trouble in the in-terim, with speculation that Pat Rice is on the verge of leaving to join Stewart Houston at Queens Park Rangers. This might leave the High-bury board needing to find a third caretaker manager in ess than a week.

Houston, who resigned as Arsenal's caretaker manager on Friday, was installed as Ray Wilkins's successor at R yesterday lunchtime. A meeting with the club's coaches followed, and afterwards Frank Sibley quit after spells at Loftus Road totalling 27 years as player, coach, manager and most recently sistant to Wilkins and then

aretaker manager. This fuelled speculation that Houston was about to bring in his own No. 2, with

Rice and the Arsenal reserve-team manager George Arm-strong top of the wanted list. Speaking at a press confer-ence in Nagoya, Japan, Wenger said: "It is my dream to manage a team in a top

vel European league. And if I don't accept the offer right now I will miss the chance. "I think Arsenal is a club with big potential. I think that English football is going up and that the Premiership

s one of the most important eagues in the world now. "So I think that it also was

a challenge for me to be maybe the first foreign man-ager --- and for sure the first



ry to be successful. Wenger's club, Grampus Bight, said the Frenchman's two-year contract with them extended until January 1997 but they were now accepting his resignation after the appointment of the Portuguese coach Carlos Queiros. Grampus said Wenger firs

wanted to resign in early August, but then agreed to stay on until the J-League's ason ended on November 9 The situation again chang when Arsenal dismissed Bruce Rioch on August 12. Wenger, 47, will arrive at Arsenal two days after the home Premiership game against Sunderland - and 12

days before the next fixture, a visit to Blackburn. But his release comes too late for Arsenal's trip to Ger-

many next Wednesday for the Uefa Cup return with Borus-sia Mönchengladbach, who won 3-2 at Highbury Tuesday.

Although Houston has signed a three-year contract with QPR, believed to be worth £100,000 a year, his ap-pointment is something of a gamble by the club. The Scot has a limited knowledge of the First Diricion and is also the First Division and is also taking on a full-time No. 1 po-sition for the first time, after many years as No. 2 to George Graham at Arsenal.

But Houston is hoping to put his past to good use. "George was a teacher, and also a winner," he said. "That was his great strength and if I can follow his style in terms of winning things, I'd like to." Houston spoke with Gra-ham before deciding to turn

down the chance to join his former mentor at Leeds and strike out on his own. He said of the recent past: They have been a fantastic eks as caretaker mansix we ager, and the strength I have

gained has been enormous. What it told me was that it was time for me to progress to a fresh challenge and have a go at being a No. 1."

Houston, 47, has been as-sured by QPR's new chair man Chris Wright that he has money to spend on new play-ers and will not be forced to sell the club's prize asset,

Trevor Sinclair. His main task is to take the club back to the Premiership, from which they were rele-gated last season. But first he many also have to win over the fans, who were perhaps hoping for a more high-profile appointment

• David O'Leary, the 38-yearold former Arsenal defender,

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Sunday at Leicester and then saw his replacement, the Czech Patrik Berger, score two goals in Liverpool's 3-0

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well so far this season.

• Preston have broken their transfer record by paying \$350,000 for Wimbledon's can-

tral defender Alan Reeves.

Sport in brief

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Bassett bound for City post

The Guardian Tuesday September 17 1996

lan Ross

ANCHESTER CITY' Membarrassing search IV I for a manager is ex-pected to end today with the appointment of Crystal

Palace's Dave Bassett. Bassett is the only man to have expressed more than a passing interest in succeed-ing Alan Ball, who resigned last month after City's lacklustre opening to the season.

Unless Bassett has a lat change of heart, he will leave Palace less than a year after taking charge at Selhurst Park.

Steve Coppell, Palace's di-rector of football and for mer manager, is expected to take immediate charge of the team, but it was uncertain last night whether he would make a permanent

return to management. After City's unsuccessful moves for George Graham and Howard Kendall, Bassett discussed the possibility of becoming the Maine Road club's 16th manager in only 25 years shortly be-fore the two clubs met at Selhurst Park on Saturday, and there were further talks after Palace beat City. Respect seems keen to take one of the most demanding

jobs in English football. Although Bassett trans-formed Palace's fortunes last season, leading them to the First Division play-off final, his working relation-ship with the chairman Ron Noades has been strained in recent months. Bassett is expected to at tend City's Coca-Cola Cup game at Lincoln tonight, but the team will be selected by the club's caretaker manager Asa

Rotherham United have ppointed Danny Bergara as manager in succession to Archie Gemmill and John McGovern, sacked earlier esterday after two years

The Uruguayan-born Bergara, former Stockport County manager, takes over from the form tingham Forest and Derby team-mates after Rotherham's worst start to a season. They have gone nine Second Division and cup

games without a win.

Steve Archibald has be-come Scotland's latest managerial casualty, dismissed by East Fife. The former Tottenham and Scotland forward took East Fife op from the Second Division last season, but yesterday i

club spokesman said:

"Since promotion was at-tained, differences of opinion have arisen which have

ANCHESTER Unit-ed's chairman Martin Edwards undertook some shuttle diplomacy yes-terday when he travelled to Spain in the hope of persuad-

writes Ian Ross. Nadal had been expected to

Edwards flies out to revive Nadal deal

ing Barcelona to part with their defender Miguel Nadal,

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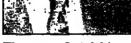
to partner Duncan Ferguson is clear. That may well prompt a move for Dean Holdsworth, the transfer-

Out of the shadows . . . Stewart Houston takes centre stage at Loftus Road after becoming QPR's manager yesterday

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Wenger ... fortnight away coach.

American Football

Green Machine rolls on

their first 3-0 start since 1982 and set up an early NFC Cen-tral showdown on Sunday with the undefeated Minne-sota Vikings, who eased past the Chicago Bears 20-14. The Chargers were crunched by the Green Bay machine just as the Philadelphia Ea-gles had been in the previous Nonday nicht came as a last season. The Packers led 28-3 after Favre threw his third TD, a seven-yard pass to the tight third quarter. His TD passes The Chargers were crunched just as the Philadelphia Ea-gles had been in the previous the date of 19 yards to Antonio Free-pust as the Philadelphia Ea-gearly floward TD surge the Chicago Bears 20-14. The Chargers were crunched by the Green Bay machine just as the Philadelphia Ea-gles had been in the previous Monday night game. As early Super Bowl fancies, the Pack-

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Rugby League

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Great Britain tour, the Brad-

World Cup team utility player

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Martin Dermott, whose back operation stopped him from

making a Super League ap-pearance for Wigan, is set to

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McNamara, needed a three-hour operation after the freak weekend accident which cost him not only a seat on Fri-day's jet to the Antipodes but almost his hand as well. McNamara cut his hand on broken glass, damaging his day's jet to the Antipodes but almost his hand as well. broken glass, damaging his palm as well as the nerves and tendons to his fingers. He is replaced by the England

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Soccer

Tim Henman will lead Britain in their Davis Cup Euro-African zone group two promo-tion match against Egypt beginning on Friday, writes Stephen Bierley. Heuman, ranked 38 in the world, has not played since he lost to Sweden's Stefan Ed-

berg in the fourth round of the US Open. He received treatment in that match for a groin strain but was passed

fit yesterday.

Boxing Robin Reid has an early op-portunity to fight for the WBC

Grim Reaper, has yet to con-test a British or European championship and has had only 21 paid fights. Joe Martin, the policeman and coach who Muhammad Ali said "started me out in breing" has died at his hard

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tional Olympic Committee decision not to award him the 200m breaststroke bronze medal. Gillingham thought he had

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been promoted to third place in Atlanta in July after finishing fourth to Andrei Korneev, who was stripped of his medal because of a positive drugs test. But the Russian was reinstated after it was ruled that it could not be estab-lished that the drug, Bromantan, was covered by the IOC medical code.

Cycling

Graeme Obree has pulled out of a world championship event for the second time in four weeks. The Scot, who recently withdrew from a desuper-middleweight title when he faces the Italian Vin-cenzo Nardiello in Milan on October 12. The 25-year-old Liverpudlian, nicknamed the fence of his world 4,000 metres title in Manchester because of a viral infection, will not take part in the world time-trial championship at Lugano on October 10 because of lack of form.

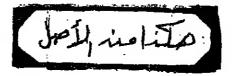
Sailing

Tim Robinson is the 18-foot skiff champion of Britain, writes Bob Fisher. A seventh place for Robinson and his crew of Jonathan Pudney and Duncan McDonald, standing

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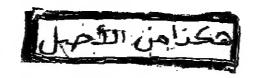
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County Championship: Glamorgan v Surrey

Surrey assault runs out of steam rerouted

David Foot sees the unsentimental Welsh apply the brakes to Stewart's title aspirations

URREY used 10 bowlers, including their captain and wicketkeeper Alec Stewart, as if to confirm the words after their win on Sun-day that their undeniable pro-gress had been based on the team ethos. Yet such collective endeavour proved in vain yesterday in a match that was uncompromising as well as

enthralling. They finished with three wickets left and with Glamorgan crowding the bat as they had done for the last 90 min-utes. The challenge of scoring 336 in a minimum of 37 overs had always looked too daunting but at this stage of the season generosity understand-ably drifted away down the

adjacent River Taff. Surrey had to settle for the compromise of points for the draw rather than those for a win that they had at times scented in this match on a bland wicket. Now they are 14 points behind Leicestershire, who need 11 points - full bonus points and a draw against Middlesex from their final match will suffice — to make sure of the title.

Glamorgan, doubtless to the approval of Surrey's principal opponents at the top, never remotely made it easy for the visitors. They were imbued with no romantic notions of an early declaration and batted on to 442 for nine. At times Surrey faces peered plead-ingly in the direction of the Glamorgan balcony but with-out santimental response. James, an efficient, correct

batsman, scored 16 bound-aries as he moved to his seventh hundred of the season, his best championship summer for the county. Cottey was bowled round his legs for 83 by Shahid, who had sent down only 12 overs of his leg-breaks previously this season. Now he took three wickets in a row and emitted countless cries of anguish; however meritorious his per-sistence, it only emphasised



Getting down to the job . . . Hollioake swats the ball away from in front of James for a Surrey boundary as he dashes to 85 PHOTOGRAPH: JEFF MORGA

the need for more slow-howlon?" came a mordant voice ing strength. For instance, from the crowd. Surrey were Butcher was overtly surwithout Benjamin, who was prised at one point to find himself on a hat-trick. unwell, but the bowlers did not have much chance.

Maybe as a psychological wile rather than impatience at Glamorgan's refusal to cur-Glamorgan kept going: first Croft, increasingly a goodlooking batsman, and then tail the innings, Stewart swapped places with Shahid Shaw, with a well composed career-best. It was hard to see "And why not put your father after that how Surrey would

react. They did so by revising their batting order and 64 runs from the first six overs, dropped at long leg but went leg-before for 85 off 70 balls. The block was enforced even though Julian, out after tea. Glamorgan, howsecond ball, and Butcher were ever, continued to peg away dismissed.

with native fervour. Croft. Lewis and Hollioake say varying his deliveries with aged away with daring shots. Lewis should have been stumped and was soon afterwards; Hollioake was

Glamorgan proved to have the better slow bowlers. Up in the scorers' box, By-

ron the Bard, who doubles on the loudspeaker, garnished the day's announcements with civ-ilised asides. He wished Holli-

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Rugby Union

Botica gets to Llanelli

John Huxley

RANO BOTICA, the former All Black, has played his last game of rugby league as well as

game his last match for the Courage Williams retorted: "One League One side Orrell. He had been released by Super League's Castleford thing is for certain, there's no way Frano will be playing against Swansea this week Tigers so that he could play rugby union for Orrell over the next two winters. But now end without our agreement." Orrell believed that they had a two-year contract to the rugby league club have decided to sell him to Llanelli.

had a two-year contract to play Botica but Castleford said that the agreement was with the player and that he was still theirs to recall. Last night Orrell were argu-

and that would be the ideal stage on which to introduce such a player. Frano will be

coming to us on a full-time

basis because he feels that he wants to play just the one

ing that Botica was their player and that Llanelli would need to talk to them be-fore his future could be Castleford are to receive £75,000 in compensation for Botica, who still had a year to resolved. Peter Williams, Orserve on the contract he signed when he joined them rell's director of rugby, said: "I feel sorry for Frano be-cause all this speculation is so from Wigan. The west York-shire club, whose finances disturbing. We have spoken to Castleford and are happy have been creaking under the contractual strain, are happy that they have reached a settlement with Llanelli, but to sell. Botica moved into rugh

Llanelli will still have to league from New Zealand come and see us." The Welsh side plan to inrugby union in June 1990 and became a consistent demolclude the 33-year-old New Zea-lander in their side to face isher of records during his time with Wigan. Last Satur-Swansea at Stradey Park on Saturday. Initially it was thought that he would link up day he had to refire with an injured hip during Orrell's 29-12 home defeat at the hands of Leicester Tigers. Llanelli, who have a with them for the European League in November, but Lla-nelli's coach Gareth Jenkins

reported £3 million to spend said: "We are hoping that Frano will be able to play for had been pursuing another rugby league player, lestyn Harris of Warrington. us on Saturday. We have been in touch with Castleford and Reports from Warrington sugwe expect that the formalities expect that the formalities Ill be completed in time. "We have a very important the player, who is listed at derby game against Swanses | £1.35 million

Evans set for Cardiff return

David Plummer

Shave sent an SOS to their former coaching director Alex Evans to come back from Australia, Cardiff. place off the bottom of Wales's First Division, hope

will be completed in time.

a formal offer to Evans. They approached him two months ago but baulked at the 57-year-old Australian's demand for a sum well into six figures; now, however, Cardiff's poor start to the season has increase his value to the club.

craft and accuracy, looked a oake well on the A tour and at spinner of genuine Test the end wished everyone a status, taking three wickets, happy Christmas. You couldn't "We have bad discussions with Alex and we are hopeful of reaching an agreement with him." said Cardiff's he will join them in time for ask for more. and the teenager Cosker two. next month's European club campaign when they face chief executive Gareth When Evans first joined club and there are so many Cardiff in 1992 they were sim-ilarly one off the bottom but developments going on in the game that we need someone he immediately turned things to pull the strands together. Alex is the obvious candidate round and in his 30 months at KENT, at least, of the championship chasers did their best to close the gap on the leaders with an extraordinary victory by 148 runs over Hampthe helm they won the cup and the league and reached the final of the inaugural to do that." Evans, formerly assistant coach of the Australian national side, was Wales's European Cup. caretaker coach for six He left Cardiff last December to become the Australian months last year and it is Rugby Union's national likely that, if he returned, the coaching organiser, but he Welsh Rugby Union would has become frustrated in the belp Cardiff with his wage bill desk-bound job and it is by Inding him a national role. Hick, hitting late form since being dropped by Eng-land, struck 19 fours and a six in his 106 as Worcester-"He's been a great asset desk-bound job and standard Cardiff's current pared to release him from his pared to release him from his come Evans's return, which allow him to concenplaudits he will get, even if it has come too late to get him on a tour." Shire chased 308 in 81 overs. With Philip Weston (14 fours in an innings of 89) he 150 all out. The demolition day, his third of the season. Worcestershire's Graeme shared a stand took only 44 balls, with Steve Marsh, the Kent Hick warmed up for second wicket. The Cardiff committee was | would allow him to concen-Worcestershire's Graeme | shared a stand of 201 for the meeting last night to draw up | trate on coaching. HIDDLESEX + SOMERCES **County Table** Adams faces disciplinary action
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 National Hockey League HE Cardiff Devils' 5-2 Untellines: H D Bird and K J Lycos. away victory over the player Glenn Anderson - yet. NORTHANPTONSHERE + LANCASH Anderson took part in Car-diff's pre-season training camp Manchester Storm on Sunday Northemplose Northamplonshire (24pts basi Lanceshire (7) by this wickets. saw them complete the Ben-son and Hedges Cup qualify-ing round with a 100 per cent LANCASSIUME First Innings 356 (J E R Gaillan 113; Innes 4-61, Taylor 4-73). and a warm-up game against Stuttgart and returned to NORTHANDTONSHIRE First livings 471 (K M Curran 93, M B Loye 90, K J Innes 63, T C Walton S2; Green 4-78]. C A Contour 322.4 891071 49 21,85 J D Lewry 302.0 59 942 41 22,87 D Gough 538.3 1351431 62 23,06 D J Millins 507.0 1221559 65 23,77 A F Giles 594.5 175 4450 60 24,15 G D Rose 396.2 96 1218 50 24,35 Wasim Akram 271.5 67 787 52 24,59 M P Bichneti 538.1 136 1553 65 24,65 M W Alleyne 440.1 120 (287 51 24,64 record from their six games. Wales after watching his The result is also likely to friend and fellow Canadian T C Wallon S2 Green 4-78). LapiCASselfur Becond Insings (overnight 226-5) "M Watkingon c trines b Taylor ______ P J Martin Bro b Taylor ______ W K Hogg c R J Bailey b Taylor _____ G Chapte c Curras b Taylor _____ G J Green nol cut ______ Extras (b2, 85, nb/7)._____ inspire changes in the Jacques Villeneuve drive in Storm's line-up. "I'm trying to strengthen the squad; we're a the Italian Grand Prix. - 38 - 18 However, David Tenme, the couple of players short," said John Lawless, their manager chief executive of Celtic Leisure plc, the team owner, said Second XI Championship yesterday of rumours linking Cardiff and Anderson: "We're and coach, although he Servet Oreans: Glamorgan 389-7 dec (J R Williams 108, I Gomperiz 74, S T Thomas 95, C P Masson S3no), Worcestershire 38-0, Belgeer: Darbyshire 385 (M R May 70, J Pipe 67, V P Clarks 70), Northempsonshire 7-0. claimed his team - quarterfinal qualifiers as runners-up talking to him as a player, pos-sibly for next year, but he'll return to North America first. behind Cardiff in Group B ---Bowlings Taylor 21.5-8-72-4; Hughes 6-1-21-2: Innet 7-1-36-0; Snape 31-5-102-4; R J Balley 3-1-4-0; Perbariny 7-1-33-0. are "gradually improving". Time is not on his side, how-7-D. Tampion Rominust 354-6 dec (J N Bally 140. L Sution 96). Yorkahire 25-0. Transf Bridges Notinghamshire 408-4 dec (U Atzaal 39. N Gie 90. L Wélker 37. G E Walton 54). Gioucesierahire 41-0. He needs two goals to reach 500 in the NHL and is keen to ever, with Manchester facing Sheffield and Bracknell in achieve such a landmark." their opening Superleague ● Last night's B&H quarter-_ 07 | = #2 4 eames this weekend before final draw put Manchester Paul Taylor ripped through Lanca-shire's late order to pave the way lor an emphasic nine-wicket Northampionshire visitory at Northampton. The former Enghosting one of Finland's leadagainst Ayr while Cardiff ing clubs, TPS Turku, in the meet Nottingham Panthers. first match of the new Euro-The holders Sheffield play 163 violory at Northempton. The former Eng-lund left-arm paceman snapped up four of the violors' last live violcets in a 49-bail spoil as Lancabire elumped from their overnight 226 for live to 275 all out. North-arts were left to socié 161 and reached their target before las thanks to an unbro-len accord-wicks sland of 163 in 35 overs between Mal Loye and Rob Bailey, who innihed on 67 and 52. Newcastle, and Basingstoke pean League on Tuesday. Did wol bat: K J tonos, K M Curran, T C Walton A L Penberlity, J N Snape, J G Hughes, J P Taylor 17 M B Batloy Lawless hopes to have at have a local derby with least two new signings in the Bracknell. The first legs will Bowling: Martin 9-1-25-1: Chappie 4-0-14-0: Watkingon 10-0-47-0. Green 4-0-20-0 Yates 8 2-0-53-0. squad for Saturday's game at be played September 28 and 29 with the return matches a Sheffield, but both he and Cardiff's other six Superleague | week later.

Essex v Sussex

Essex hopes fall to Salisbury spin

days. They lost the NatWest Trophy final against Lanca-shire in humbling circum-**Paul Weaver at Chelmsford**

HERE was scarcely a stances and yesterday saw their championship ambistraw left unclutched here last night as Essex tions thwarted by one of the

members contemplated the most inconsistent sides. grim, consequences of their There was some niggle in this match. The Essex players defeat by Sussex by 137 runs. The man with the three seaxes sun-hat, with a Paul feel they received some dodgy decisions from the umpires Prichard benefit brochure Alan Whitehead and John under his arm, wrestled with his calculator. "Look, if we Harris. In the course of a season these things normally take a maximum 24 points even themselves out but from our last game against Essex feel particularly peeved after thinking they had dis-Glamorgan, and it rains missed Vasbert Drakes for 10 everywhere else. we are champions." This is true. on Saturday, when the West Another supporter warmed

Indian appeared to be caught in the gully; when Sussex de-clared at 417 for eight he had to this piece of intelligence. Yes, and don't forget we tend to win the championship when we are within a year of a General Election." Also a career-best 145 beside his name. Such also looked distraught yesterday when he had an appeal against Nicky true: Essex were champions in 1979, 1983, 1986 (a year out) Phillips rebuffed. Sussex had resumed on 335

and 1992, although Maggie for eight and Essex needed to forgot to go to the country in take the outstanding wickets 1984 and 1991 when they also in quick time. But the visitors took the title. This is all rather fanciful added 82 in 80 minutes before

stuff. The more pragmatic version of Essex man could be calling a halt. Essex made a good start. The 50 came up in the eighth over and they iunched on 60 een driving out of the ground in mid-afternoon. Realisti-cally, their hopes of a seventh for one. But Gooch was out at 111. top-edging an attempted championship ended with sweep, and a rather testy-look-ing Nasser Hussain was caught behind thrashing, even this defeat. Set 421 to win from a minimum of 71 overs. they were bowled out for 283. with the leg-spinner Ian Salisthough they were more than up with the clock at that stage. Law, who started his inbury returning a career-best eight for 75. At the start of the season

nings with a straight six, was bowled playing back to a leg-break which hit his off stump, the words repeated at Essex were "rebuilding", "consoliand the game was up when Ronnie Irani was caught in the slips for a third-ball duck. Prichard was the third player dation" and "transitional". They sound better than tell-ing members: "Look, we're a rubbish side and won't win a out with the score on 167, thing for a few years." In fact Essex have exceeded

their modest expectations. Graham Gooch and Stuart the Chelmsford pitch, but it Law have enjoyed wonderful seasons and a few weeks ago did not stop Salisbury bowling with fine control. Essez looked grumpy but it was the their bowlers ran into their best form. It was all a terrible defeat at Headingley which tease, however. They have had a most frustrating 10 | really cost them.

Somerset line up Reeve

HE former Warwickshire see whether I would be inter-captain Dermot Reeve is ested and I told him I would ested and I told him I would be," Reeve said. He has conon the shortlist to become sidered other options, includ-Somerset's director of coaching the media. ing. Reeve, who retired as a

The Somerset position has player in July because of a hip become available after the deproblem, has confirmed an apparture of Bob Cottam, who proach from Somerset's chief was also with Warwickshire executive Peter Anderson. before moving to Taunton. "Peter has contacted me to

Kent rout keeps them in the hunt

shire at Canterbury that in- formance was brought to Martin. cluded two hat-tricks, writes David Harbord. Hampshire collapsed in a with theap. They lost eight wick-balls. Dean Headley had scored a Kent hat-trick on Satur-

ets for seven runs, from a comfortable 143 for one to took only 44 balls, with

CLANORGAN & SURREY

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Surrey (17). **GLABCHGANA** First Junings 284 (A Date 30, M P Maynard 52). SURPENY First Immings 471-8 dec (M She hid 79, Q P Thorpe 77, M P Bicknell Sano, C C Levis 57, Å J Holliceks 51; Cosker 4-142).

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Surrey (11)

County Championship

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Fleming finished them off with three for nought in six serves the accolades and

Total (for 7, 50.4 overs) ______205 Failt 0, 15, 64, 58, 154, 157, 171. Did not buts M P Bicknell, R M Pearson Bewflage Warkin 3.4-0-26-1; Parkin 3-0-42-1; Croll 22-6-48-3; Cosher 20-6-60-2; Maynard 1-1-0-0; Cottey 1-0-4-0. and J Baiderstone and A Clarkson. KENT Y HUMPSHIRE bowled by Phillips. Essex have been betrayed again by the lack of bounce in Cardonianty: Kent (24pts) beat Hampehi (5) by 148 rows. KENT: First innings 445 (A J Liong 130, C L'Hooper 84, T R Ward 79, M A Ealham 74; Stephenson 5-104, Mascarenhas 4-101). MANDESHIRA: Fast mining 356 (J 5 Lanoy 105; R A Smith 60; A N Aymee 52 Headley 5-63; Eathart 4-73). KENTY Second invings 211 (S A Marsh 55; Reastaw 4-75). Renetwe 4-15]. MAIRPSHIRE Second leadings G W White c Hooper b Fleming ______ J S Laney Rw 6 McCague ______ R A Smith c Marsh b McCague ______ R A Smith c Marsh b McCague ______ W S Kendeli c Hooper b McCague _____ M S Kendeli c Hooper b McCague _____ M S Kendeli c Hooper b McCague _____ A Marsarenhas two b McCague _____ J Marc b Fleming ______ J Marc b Fleming ______ J N B Sovill b Fleming ______ J Reshaw mol out ______ J Reshaw mol out ______ J Reshaw mol out ______ Liras (26, 166).....

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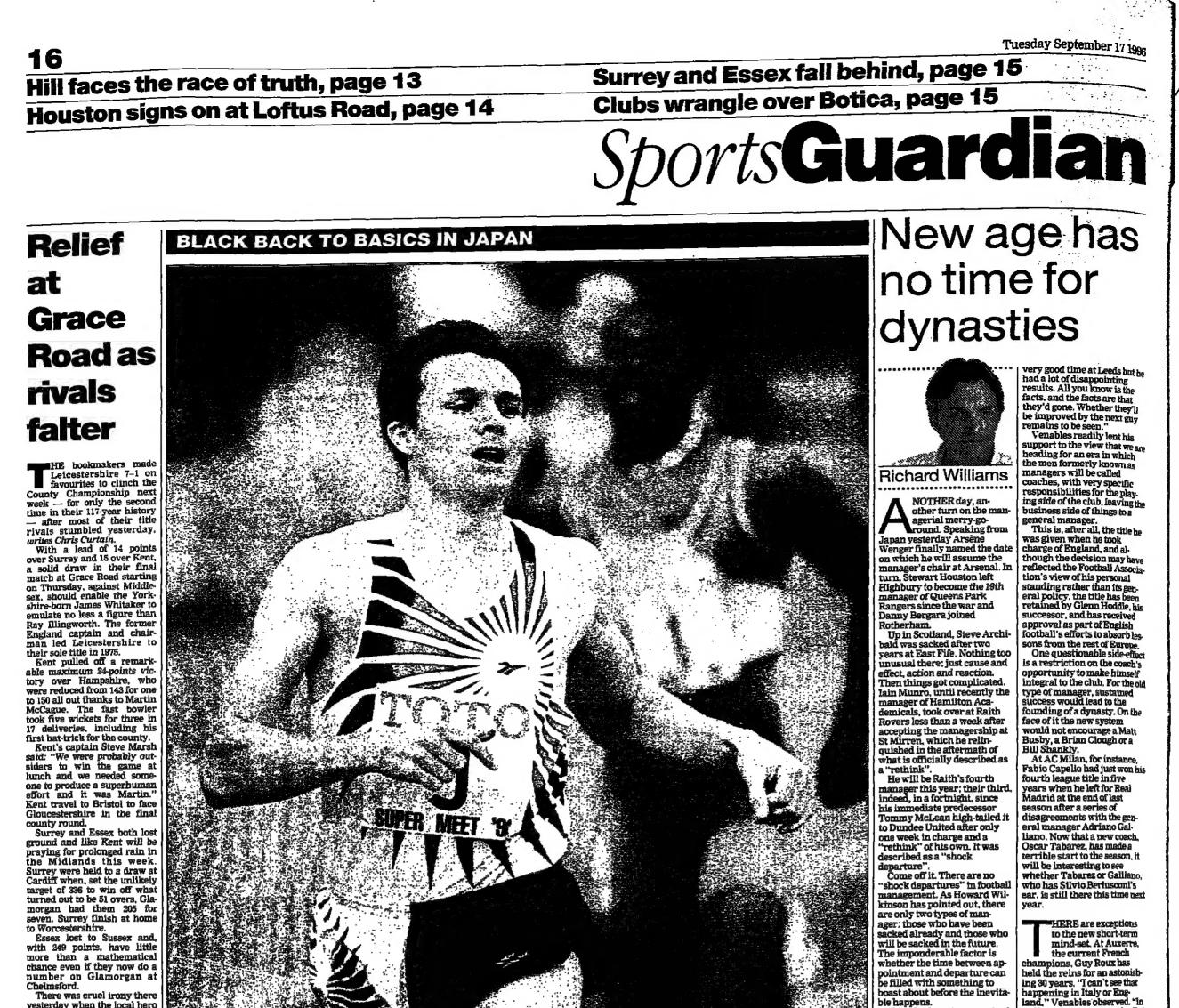
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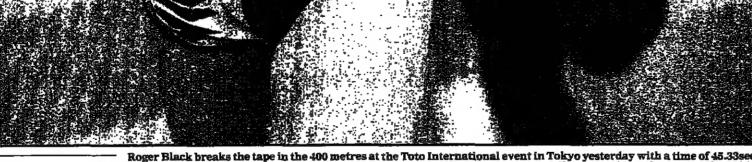
yesterday when the local hero and Test selector Graham

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Gooch saw his beloved Essex laid low by Ian Salisbury, the leg-spinner omitted from the England touring parties after his poor Test showing.

Salisbury took career-best figures of eight for 75 as Sussex claimed a 137-run victory over Essex, set the daunting victory target of 421.

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Roger Black breaks the tape in the 400 metres at the Toto International event in Tokyo yesterday with a time of 45.33sec ahead of Lamont Smith of the United States. Another British Olympic silver medallist, Jonathan Edwards, suffered his first defeat since the Games when he finished behind the American Kenny Harrison in the triple jump; Edwards could manage only 17.38 metres as Harrison recorded 17.51m to repeat his victory in Atlanta. Britain's Steve Backley threw 84.46m to finish third in the javelin, which was won by Jan Zelezny of the Czech Republic PHOTOGRAPH: KOA SASAHAPA

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any more." Terry Venables responded last week when I d him for his reaction, as a fellow professional, to the departures of Wilkinson from Leeds United and Ray Wilkins from Queens Park Rangers. "It depends on what you feel about the individuals. I was

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tablish himself before the offthe-cuff purchase of Eric Cantona added the final piece very surprised and upset for to his jigsaw, inaugurating the present era of success and Ray because I think he'd handled it all exceptionally vell, going down and sticking

awesome prosperity. Ferguson had spent those ears painstakingly rebuilding the club's foundations in the old-fashioned way. Would a mere "coach" be granted such leeway?

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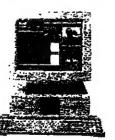
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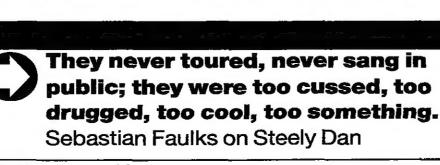
Worried FA stepping up breath tests on players This year the FA's testing | hibited substance, but it is programme is its largest | a "restricted substance". John Duncan programme is its largest

ever with 500 random tests. HE Football Associa-80 per cent taken after tion has responded to fears about alcohol morning training sessions. The FA's doping-control

budget is £150,000. "We will be testing playabuse in the game by revealing that it has been breath-testing players for the past three years. Though the results have ers at every professional league club this season, either after matches or at never been published, the the end of training ses-sions," said the FA spokes-FA says that no one has yet failed a test for alcohol. man Steve Double.

"The object of the testing isn't to wave a big stick; there is no question of a suspension if players are The news comes in the wake of Tony Adams's weekend confession to alcoholism, with the FA keen to found to have alcohol in demonstrate its commitment to keeping the game squeaky clean. Sources their system. We just want to find out who has a probclose to Adams say he has lem, and if they fail a test at training or a match, the chance is they have a never been tested. Sports Council drug tes-

ters, hired by the FA, have taken breathalysers to all If a player's sample dope tests at stadiums and training grounds since shows unacceptable levels of alcohol the club doctor 1993, with any cases of more than 85mg — the limit for driving — to be reported to Lancaster Gate. will be immediately informed of the result. It will be for the club to take action. Alcohol is not a pro-



Guardian Crossword No 20,760 Set by Logodaedalus which means its presence in samples can be noted and may be made illegal in "The only circumstance we would take action," said Double, "would be if some-IS STE thing happened on the field, like a punch-up, and the player involved was later found to have alcohol CROSSWORD SOLUTION 20,759 7 Look at the qualifiers, having the same rights (5) The FA reorganised and intensified its drug testing 8 Tea-dust scattered with net that's not supported (10) programme because of in-12 Street arab puts a cloth over creasing fears over the use of social drugs such as cana cake (10) nabis, cocaine and amphet-amines, all of which have 15 It's excessively silly to re registered debt (9) been found in random tests 16 Force doctor to get chaps lying on stomach (8) Last year the FA con-19 Pin used to undo pleats (6) ducted 270 tests with eight positives, four for stimu-lants, four for marijuana. The FA has extended the 21 Holiday souvenir partiaps stolen inside the post office (5) Across 23 Reverse of iron stronghold for Labour (6) Sausage sandwich for 22 Girl camouflages earth in 24 Unsuccessful cont ring setter perhaps testing programme to inwinter month (4) clude players as young as nine at the centres of (3,3)are regenerated in pad with Solution to 5 Hairdre uncle (8 er not entirely prompt for outdoor party (8) 25 Being casual, a learner gets behind in class (8) 22 Stuck? Then call our solutions line on 0691 338 238. Calls cost 33p per min. cheap rate, 49p per min at all other times. Service supplied by ATS 9 Boxer was turned round 26 Former wile in front of unconscious? Never-ne marquee perhaps getting 10 Savage gets dry by a lake (6) degree (6) 11 Pay tribute to Great Cola-Down Nut all chopped up (12) 2 Old boy, once heartles 13 Give thanks to football team in vehicle (4) provides music (4) 3 Poirot perhaps unmasks vet 14 Insignificant queen in identical stockings (3-5) with deceit (9) 4 Yawning but with stick put in muzzle (6) 17 One who accepts an offer too backward to become 5 Farmer's warning: watch established (4,4) out for the marke 18 Flat that The Avengers speculator (6,2,3,4) would like to get (4) 6 Half-detach part of stem 20 Added something to pliable lifted up and shot full of people close to Heath (12) holes (8)

